

EX-KAISER DEFENDED AS PEACE ADVOCATE

Former Ruler Excused of Responsibility for War.

HORRORS OF BATTLE TOLD

Dr. Karl Helfferich Sketches Vivid Picture of Emperor's Protests of Innocence.

BERLIN, April 6.—(By the Associated Press.)—Spirited defense of the former German emperor against charges that he had any responsibility for the starting of the world war is made by Dr. Karl Helfferich in his book entitled "Pre-war History," which will be issued in a fortnight and which will follow in a few months by a sequel on the war itself.

The former minister of finance sketches a vivid picture of the emperor's protests of innocence and sadness at the outbreak of hostilities in a talk on August 23, 1914, at the royal castle in Coblenz. The German arms had been victorious and a fortunate outcome of the war seemed certain when Dr. Helfferich saw the kaiser for an hour in the castle park.

Horror of War Recalled.

"The kaiser spoke about the tremendous occurrences of the last weeks in the most inconsiderate way and made upon me the impression of a man who notwithstanding that fortune was smiling upon his affairs, was shaken to the depths and heavily weighted down with the responsibility of his decisions," says Dr. Helfferich.

"He described to me in his own lively way the events which led to the war. He called on God as his witness and he had been inspired during his entire rule by no higher and holier wish than to maintain peace for his people and better his lot through peaceful work and fortunate conditions of living."

Meeting With Cousins Told.

"He recalled his last meeting with his cousins, the czar and the king of England, at the castle in Berlin, on the occasion of the marriage of his daughter, in the year 1913, and spoke of the composure he had felt regarding the peaceful intentions of Russia and England."

"He was unable to get used to the idea that all the assurances of friendship and peace had been lies and deceptions, yet he had convinced himself from the course of events that the assets then under his roof ready bore a plot against Germany in their hearts."

"From the moment when the seriousness of the situation had come to his consciousness he had implored and begged the kaiser to resign and the czar to save the world from the misfortune of war."

Russia Urged to Halt.

"He had to limit the possibility of putting pressure upon Emperor Francis Joseph. The kaiser had implored the czar up to the last moment to stop Russian mobilization, which would compel war."

"After Russian mobilization, and against the advice of his own military aides he had given Russia one last chance, but everything went for naught. Three he took his pen in hand before he signed the mobilization order. His responsibility for his own people finally left him no other choice. Our fate was in God's hands."

Future Peace Welcomed.

Dr. Helfferich further quotes the emperor regarding the future of Germany in case it should be victorious. The most important thing for him was that out of the war sound good sense and a peaceful co-operation of the peoples of Europe should result. This, he said, had been impossible because of Franco-German contrasts, and peace must be concluded in such a way that this goal would be attained.

"The French, he believed, a knightly nation with a high conception of honor for which he had always had respect and whose respect he had always desired. He could understand that the French nation found it difficult after the decision of 1918 to submit to another appeal to the fortune of arms."

Criticism Is Deplorable.

"He hoped that after this war the French would have the feeling that honor had been satisfied and that the conclusion of peace on a basis could be created for the honorable co-operation of the two great European peoples of culture in politics and economic life. "That is the man," concludes Dr. Helfferich, "whom our enemies—and what is worse, people of our own blood—would like to brand with the stigma of being the cause of the war, a bloody conqueror and oppressor. I am thoroughly convinced that Wilhelm II knew no higher goal than to keep peace for the German people and the world."

PHYSICIANS ARE PUZZLED

"SLEEPING SICKNESS" FATAL TO 14 IN UNITED STATES.

Doctors, Failing to Find Specific Germ, Unwilling to Accept New Disease Theory.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Although 132 cases of lethargic encephalitis, or "sleeping sickness," with 14 deaths, were reported to the United States public health service up to March 23, officials of the bureau still are undecided whether the disease of the type prevalent in Europe has reached the United States. In a statement last night the bureau said it was impossible to say whether the figures gave a true picture of the prevalence of the disease inasmuch as the disease is not generally reportable to the health office.

"The diagnosis in most of the cases reported appears to have been based largely on the presence of stupor, a condition found in many other diseases," the statement said. "In the absence of any method of positively establishing a diagnosis, and especially because of the nature, thus far, both in this country and abroad to find a specific germ in these cases, the public health service is as yet unwilling to accept 'lethargic encephalitis' as a new disease."

Surgeon General Bliss has detailed qualified medical officers to make comprehensive investigation of the malady.

PEACE MAKERS NEAR END

"Has said that you have decided it," the British premier resumed and said. "Cannot the people wait until we have finished our work instead of always wanting to judge our intentions? This conference had to meet and discuss things under conditions unprecedented in history. All eyes are turned toward it and, what is more grave, all

ears are glued at its keyhole. Enemy ears tremble with joy when they detect some hesitation. Friendly ears half hear confused rumors which are repeated far and quickly. "The day does not pass but some false news here and there takes flight. Nevertheless, no day passes but we in silent deliberation feel approaching nearer the great aim and experience for each other more esteem, confidence and affection. And let public opinion wait a few days. It will then be able to pronounce on facts, not rumors."

No Formal Meetings Held.

The premiers held no formal meetings today, but there were several informal conferences. Colonel House received Premier Orlando, Lord Robert Cecil and Baron Makino and conferred with them on the location of the seat of the league of nations. M. Paderewski, the Polish premier, called on Colonel House at the Hotel de Crillon, but Colonel House was not present. The German premier, Dr. Brüning, called on the American delegates with President Wilson.

PESSIMISTIC REPORTS DECRIED

Peace Makers Working in Full Harmony, Says London Paper.

LONDON, April 6.—The Sunday Observer, in its issue today, says it has the best of reasons for stating that the pessimistic reports regarding the peace conference are entirely unfounded. Premier Lloyd George and President Wilson are doing everything together for a peace which it will be possible for the English speaking democracies to guarantee, the newspaper declared. It is authoritatively expected that the preliminaries will be finally settled within three or four days.

DALMATIANS DESIRE MERGER

People Wish to Join Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes.

PARIS, April 6.—Foreign Minister Pichon today received a delegation of Dalmatians, accompanied by N. P. Pachtich, chairman of the Jugoslav peace conference. The Dalmatians expressed a desire to join the kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes. They said a plebiscite, in which all but 13,000 of the 300,000 inhabitants of the district they represented had participated, showed that from 90 to 95 per cent want to join the new kingdom.

MURDER MATTER OF DOUBT

AGED WOMAN PRISONER'S CONFESSION DISBELIEVED.

Defense of Senile Dementia Offered in Trial—Son She Said She Killed Through to Be Alive.

MONTROSE, Colo., April 6.—That Mrs. Nancy James Bush, 70 years old, was suffering from "senile dementia" when she confessed that she had slain her son with an ax and disposed of the body by boiling it with lye in a soap vat was the defense outlined by her counsel Saturday after the state rested its case in the trial of Mrs. Bush. The aged woman is accused of killing her son, John Bush, and her young grandson, Otis, at the Bush farm home near Olathe, Colo., in December, 1917. In the alleged confession submitted by the defendant to the state, she is quoted as having said that she slew her son and boiled his body after he killed the boy, Otis, and disposed of his body in a similar manner because the boy had stolen a small sum of money.

The defense outlined was that Mrs. Bush had concocted the story to enable her to escape after the murder of the boy. In support of this contention the defense placed two witnesses on the stand.

J. H. Rootman testified that he saw John Bush in Olathe two days after the date of the alleged murder. The witness, however, became confused in his testimony because the boy had stolen a small sum of money. The defense outlined was that Mrs. Bush had concocted the story to enable her to escape after the murder of the boy. In support of this contention the defense placed two witnesses on the stand.

SUIT FOR \$1,000,000 FILED

Gaston B. Means Alleges Conspiracy to Send Him to Gallows.

CHICAGO, April 6.—Suits for \$1,000,000 were filed here Saturday by Gaston B. Means against the Northern Trust company, alleging conspiracy to send him to the gallows. Means was tried last year for the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King, who died from a bullet wound while with a party on an automobile trip with friends, of whom Means was one. Following his acquittal came a legal contest over the will of the millionaire James A. King. Names as co-defendants are Solomon and Bruce Smiley, president and vice-president, respectively, of the trust company; Alfred F. Reichmann and William S. Miller, counsel for the corporation; John T. Doelling, assistant district attorney of New York, and C. B. Ambrose, at one time a secret service operative.

LABOR MAY FORCE RECALL

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Thousands and the air in here carries a foul stench. The boys join in protest that ex-soldiers should be treated in this manner for what they have done, claiming that they were using

THE NUT

Trade Mark Registered

It is too much trouble to write an ad every day for all the papers in Portland, so as to be fair I am going to start in just this way - - - I am going to write ads for the OREGONIAN the whole month of June . . . July is going to be "dedicated" to the JOURNAL . . . August "turned over" to the TELEGRAM . . . September "devoted" to the NEWS . . . In this way readers of the above papers . . . during that particular paper's "nutty month" . . . will have the pleasure of reading a NUT HOUSE AD every day.

LEWIS POULTRYMEN BUSY

New Activity Is Shown in County's Industry.

CHEHALIS, Wash., April 6.—(Special.)—The poultry business is showing signs of the greatest activity in Lewis county's history. This is apparent in every direction.

In the south end of the county about Toledo are many splendid flocks, but the most extensive development of the industry is in and about Winlock, where the Finlanders, who occupy small tracts of logged-off lands, are in the business. Thousands of dollars annually now are coming into Lewis county for poultry and poultry products.

GERMANY WILL SOON GET HUGE WAR BILL

Council of Four in Agreement on Indemnities.

PRIOR RIGHTS DETERMINED

France and Belgium First to Be Considered in Payments to Run Over Period of 35 Years.

PARIS, April 6.—(Havas.)—The council of four on Saturday reached an agreement on the principles of the indemnities and reparations to be exacted by Germany and the examination of the details will begin immediately, the newspapers say. It is not believed there will be any disagreement as to details, and it is indicated that the text of the financial terms will be finished during the week.

The Echo De Paris says that compromises were effected on all debatable points regarding the sum to be paid at once by Germany and the payments in the future. Against the opposition of the French government it was agreed, the paper says, to distribute future payments over a term of years. Payments for the next few years were fixed.

France and Belgium First.

The Journal says there are indications that the rights of France and Belgium to prior consideration in the payments by Germany have been recognized. The first German payment, it says, will be 25,000,000 francs, of which 5,000,000,000 will go to pay for raw materials to insure resumption of German economic life. France and Belgium will receive 10,000,000,000 of the first payment. The rest of the indemnity the paper says, will run over a period of 35 years.

Plans for continued occupation of the left bank of the Rhine have been abandoned and the allies will depend upon an economic blockade as a means of pressure on Germany. Final agreements on the Rhine and Sarre valley questions will be reached before the end of the week, it is added.

Diplomats Becoming Optimistic.

Increased optimism in diplomatic circles is noted by the press, while editorialists in the newspapers express satisfaction over the progress made on the question of reparation and indemnity.

The favorable solution of the Danzig question is commented upon in complimentary terms.

PARIS, April 6.—(By the Associated Press.)—The confident state of Premier Lloyd George that the peace treaty will be concluded by Easter is supported by predictions repeatedly made by less prominent members of the peace conference and dispelled today much of the hopelessness and uncertainty in which many important problems of the conference seemed to have been enshrouded.

Even the announcements of serious bolshevik troubles in Bavaria and the danger of a break with Italy apparently did not affect the optimism today of the leaders of the British, French and American delegations.

All Paris seemed imbued today with the idea that Easter will find the conference ended, either successfully or unsuccessfully, and many newspapers and leaders who have been doubtful about the successful outcome are apparently less gloomy about the prospects.

ROAD MEETING ARRANGED

Banquet Will Be Feature of Coming Lebanon Gathering.

LEBANON, Or., April 6.—(Special.)—Arrangements have been completed for the good roads meeting to be held in this city Monday night. The meeting is to be in the nature of a banquet at Hotel Lebanon and the speaking is to follow the banquet. Plates will be laid for about 150 guests, and the principal speakers who have accepted invitations are R. A. Booth, of the highway commission; Philip H. Dater, district engineer of the forest service; Dr. L. I. Hiewa, head of the postal roads service; Milton A. Miller, collector of internal revenue; Frank J. Miller, former chairman of the public service commission, and B. F. Jones, representing the Roosevelt highway.

GIRLS' CLUB TO MAKE TOUR

University of Oregon Singers to Go to Coos Bay April 23.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, April 6.—(Special.)—Following upon the successful trip of the Men's Glee club to southern Oregon, the Girls' Glee club expects to conquer the Coos bay region when it starts upon its trip Tuesday extending from April 23 to the following Sunday night. The prospects for a successful trip are encouraging, according to Margaret Mansfield, manager, as many of the towns have made good offers.

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Livestock Men Elect Officers.

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Flyer Goes Over Andes.

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their lawful right when selling tags for the relief of themselves and fellow soldiers and sailors." Commissioner H. Roy Harrison is a union labor official, a member of the cooks' and waiters' union and delegate to the central labor council, but was declared as having offended in the matter of tag day refusal along with the other members of the city council. He was reported to have refused to buy a tag Saturday.

Jury Trials Demanded.

While the granting of a permit for tag day was the particular province of Commissioner Pettit, he was reported as having taken the matter up with the other commissioners and secured their backing.

A separate jury trial for each and every one of the 55 men and women arrested on minor charges Saturday will be demanded when the cases are called in police court Monday. It was stated today at headquarters of the soldiers' and sailors' council. There will be no forfeiting of bail, even where but \$5 is at stake, it was declared by members of the council and union sympathizers.

Second Sale Proposed.

In view of the fact that the sale of tags was not as heavy as expected Saturday, another tag day for the soldiers' and sailors' council will be held soon, according to labor leaders. It developed that the police did not secure all the tags when they raided the council headquarters Saturday afternoon and that soldiers managed to smuggle out several thousand under the noses of four detectives stationed in the building.

The police gave up their vigil about midnight and the soldiers and sailors again took charge and were in full control Sunday.

MEMBERS TO SYRIA NAMED

AMERICANS TO RECOMMEND PEACE STATUS.

2000 Persons Daily Die From Hunger in Armenia; Bodies Are Eaten by People.

PARIS, April 6.—(By the Associated Press.)—Dr. Henry C. King, president of Oberlin college, and Charles H. Crane have been named as the American members of the inter-allied commission designed by the peace conference to investigate conditions in Syria, take a plebiscite and submit recommendations on the disposition of Syria. The delegates from the other nations have not been announced.

The investigation probably will require several months and it is therefore certain that no disposition will be made of Syria until after the signing of the peace treaty.

The Armenian peace delegation made an appeal to the American delegates today for assistance in relieving the suffering from famine and plague. A telegram from Minister of the Interior Khaitasian says:

"Famine reigns in Armenia. Two thousand persons are dying daily from hunger. For three days there has been no bread even for the hospitals. The epidemic of typhus, intensified by famine, likewise is causing great ravages. In the region of Sourmalou people are eating bodies."

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N. M. Newport of this city will preside at the meeting and Senator S. M. Garland will act as toastmaster.

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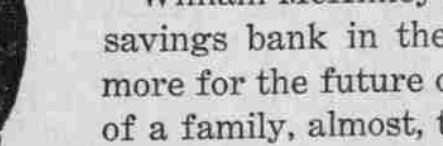
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