

HUNS MAKE COVERT APPEAL TO AMERICA

Order Goes Out to Suspend Attacks on Wilson.

INVASION HELD POSSIBLE

All Germany Wonders What Effect Will Be if Germany Declines to Sign Treaty.

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BERLIN, May 18.—(Special Cable.) All Germany is speculating what will happen if Germany refuses to sign the peace treaty. The common German opinion is that the blockade will be immediately clamped down again, and that the allied armies will march into Germany and encounter no resistance, going as far as they like without bloodshed.

No sane German believes that even a show of armed opposition will be made in west Germany. That belief is already discounted. Nevertheless this fact has not served to cow the government in its defiant attitude towards the peace treaty in its present form. The Tagblatt interprets the report that Marshall Foch is visiting the Rhine region as propaganda to coerce German public opinion but says:

"Such reports are not necessarily a bluff. We must calculate on the possibility of a French advance. That the Americans will take a great part in it is somewhat improbable. It is more likely that the English will. One must wait these coercive measures in cold blood. The present peace terms cannot be accepted, and Foch's march into Germany, which we expect, will not make these terms appear more acceptable."

The Tagblatt also scents politics behind Marshal Foch's visit to the Rhineland, as if the marshal were making a press agent tour of the occupied territory. It says further: "Foch's visit is intended only to arouse sentiment useful to the interests of France."

"Peoples, Not Generals, to Decide."
"Vorwaerts," the socialist organ, comments:

"Marshal Foch will have no opportunity to add to his laurels. The affair that is to be settled between Germany and the entente is no longer the concern of the generals, but of the people. It is a matter of justice, not of force, and the outcome will justify that greater predecessor of Foch, Napoleon, who said, 'Ideals are always stronger than cannon.'"

The Lokal Anzeiger says: "Marshal Foch goes to the front with his train of artillery rolling into the occupied Rhine territory. The British fleet demonstrates before Memel. All this is to force a Wilson peace on Germany. But Germany has no choice. It cannot sign any peace which condemns its innocent children to slavery. We must wait calmly and see how much of this bluff, how much is preparation, about this sabre-rattling. The German nation has shown the world clearly enough that it will never sign the slavery peace of Versailles."

Germany Faces Last Hope.
Germany is facing its last hope of more favorable peace terms on America. Official German propaganda is now focused almost exclusively on American public opinion. Official word has gone out to the German newspapers to eliminate anti-American criticism and to refrain particularly from attacks on President Wilson. The same tip has been passed out to those speakers at the protest demonstration over whom the government has control. The well-disciplined German newspaper policy, few exceptions, obeying this injunction. According to the inspired version the cabinet at its meeting today "expressed satisfaction that the tremendous and spontaneous demonstrations against a peace of violence had not taken the form of abusive criticism of President Wilson's personal policy."

The government is also worried by the possibility that the crowds, inflamed by patriotic speeches at the meetings of protest may go on a rampage and commit excesses against members of the entente military missions or other allied subjects here. This fear has inspired the chief of police to issue a proclamation to the Berliners warning them that "the tremendous protest movement must not be sidetracked from its real goal and spoiled by acts of violence against foreigners here."

Police Oppose Agitators.
The chief of police charges that "dark elements are inciting agitation against the foreigners" and announced his intention of taking ruthless action against such agitators.

The purpose of this open and covert appeal to President Wilson and America is, in the first place, to force a modification of the territorial terms in Germany's eastern provinces. The government aims to gain the right of determination in the form of a plebiscite for Danzig and all the eastern territories which, according to the present terms, are ceded to Poland. Even without this popular vote the government and the peace delegation will concentrate their hardest diplomatic fight on trying to have the eastern provinces. They are calculating on America's sympathies being less strong for Poland than for France, Belgium, and that America may be willing to sacrifice Polish territorial aspirations in order to bring about a quick and lasting peace.

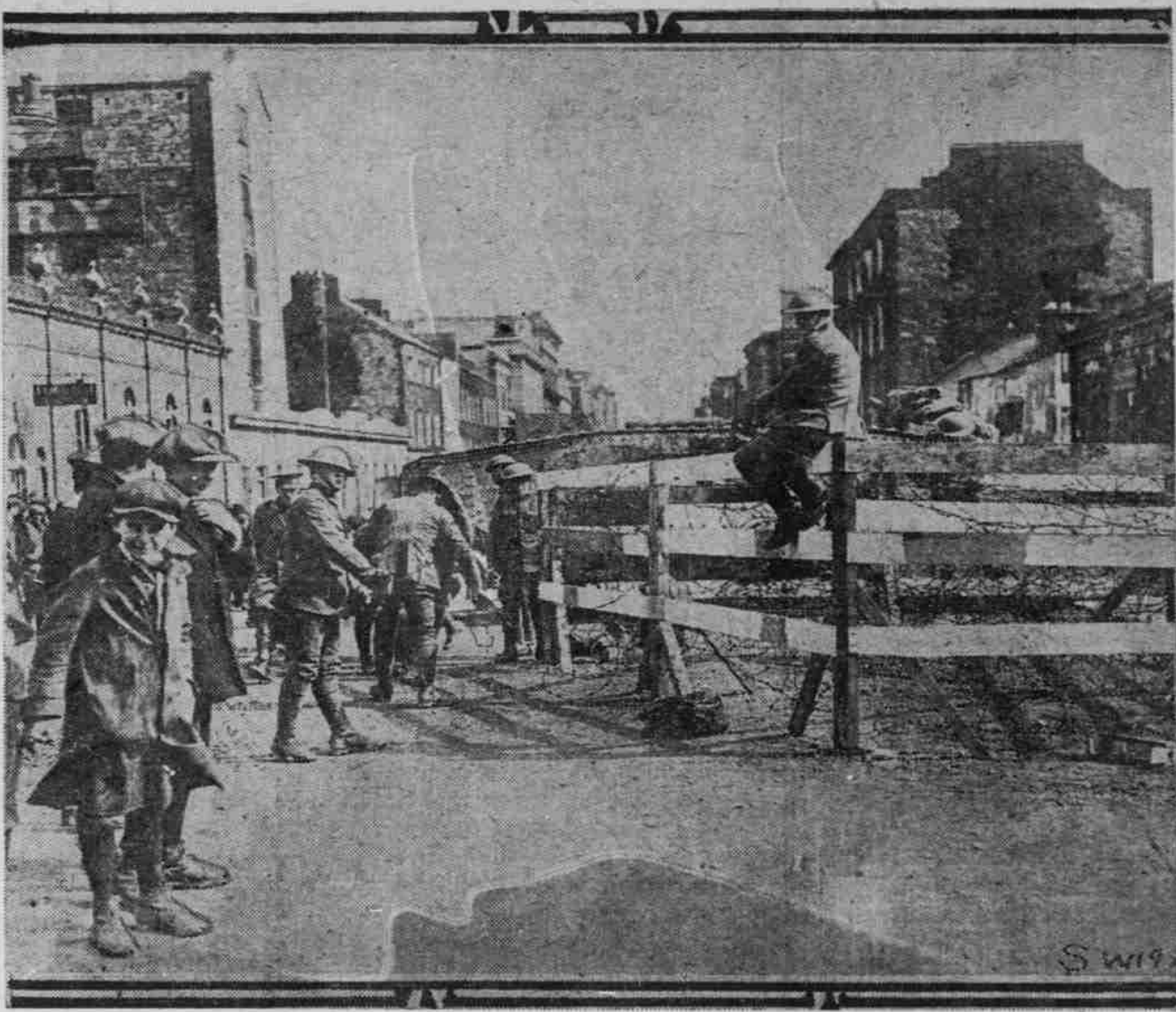
It is intimated in political circles that Germany is willing to swallow all other of the peace terms, however bitter, if only the eastern provinces are saved. In line with this policy the Tagblatt puts out a feeler to President Wilson, wondering: "Who advised President Wilson on the eastern territorial question?"

Signing of Treaty Assumed.
August Mueller, a socialist, formerly minister of economy, in an interview tacitly assumes that the treaty must be signed and sees Germany's only hope in France's awakening from the intoxication of victory to the sober economic reality. Herr Mueller says:

"If the German are dishonored, enslaved and condemned forever to economic weakness, England will attain an unlimited world monopoly. France has gained satisfaction, has her revenge, has satisfied her hysterical hate. For some time France will satisfy herself with 'glorie' and with the painful distortions of tortured Germany. But then the moment will come when France, too, will look for great economic results from the treaty. France, whose inhabitants are sober calculators, will then awake from their dream and see their hopes unfulfilled. For Germany will never be able, even approximately, to pay the tribute France seeks to extort by enslaving this nation. That will be the time when we can expect the realization of the illogicality of the peace treaty enforced by the present allies and hope for the easing of Germany's fate."

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SCENE IN LIMERICK, IRELAND, WHERE MARTIAL LAW IS IN EFFECT.



The attitude of "passive resistance" in Limerick, Ireland, is still continued by the strikers. The military still maintain strict guards with large forces of sentries and the guns used in the armored tanks are fully manned. British soldiers in the above photo are seen forming an effective barrier of tanks and barbed wire in one of the main streets, the result of the city being placed under martial law.

LEAGUE COVENANT SCORED

AMERICAN POLICIES SAID TO BE ENDANGERED.

Judge Fears Alliance, in Present Form, Will Result in European Entanglements.

KANSAS CITY, May 18.—That the league of nations in its present proposed form will not accomplish the prevention of war; will bring complications and disturbances destructive of permanent peace; will be a departure from time-honored and substantial American policies and traditions; will endanger national safety and is violative of the spirit and letter of the constitution of the United States, was the declaration of Judge Arba H. Van Valkenburgh of the United States district court in an address before the Kansas City Bar association last night.

"I oppose this covenant in its present and proposed form," Van Valkenburgh said, "because it involves us in engagements dangerous to our national safety, which we can avoid if at all, only by acts in contradiction of our express agreements, exposing us to the charge of international bad faith; because it introduces the element of internationalism, breaks down the safeguards of national patriotism and embarrasses the exercise of our sovereignty in the control of our internal affairs."

"The league constitution," he continued, "is a declaration of distrust. We do not roll us into the sense of false security to lull us into the sense of false security that by reliance upon the league for protection against war we may neglect to keep ourselves in a proper defensive posture. In this more plausible guise, the league of nations, we find the same old pacifist heresy, peace at any price, even with dishonor and national ruin."

Police Seek Ex-Banker
New Clue Reported Found to Big Lot of Stolen Liberty Bonds.

CHICAGO, May 18.—Search for Joseph Baia, former president of the Atlas State bank here, has been begun by police in an effort to trace the larger part of the \$135,000 lot in liberty bonds and other securities stolen last February from the William J. Crittenden banking and brokerage house of Pittsburgh. Baia was named, by police, as by a Mr. W. Worthington, broker and former banker, who has been detained by the police.

According to the police, Worthington admitted he had had \$1500 worth of the securities listed as stolen from the Crittenden firm, but said he had obtained them from Baia, who is said to be known in Los Angeles and La Salle, Ill.

KELSO CLASS LARGE ONE

32 Students to Be Graduated by High School This Week.

KELSO, Wash., May 18.—(Special.)—Commencement week for the class of 1919 of the Kelso high school opened last night, when Rev. O. F. Krieger of the Methodist church delivered the baccalaureate sermon in the Presbyterian church. Commencement exercises will take place Thursday evening in the Kelso theater. Miss W. G. Gabbay is valedictorian and Miss L. G. Gabbay is salutatorian.

The class of 1919 has a membership of 32, the largest ever graduated by any Cowlitz county high school. Other events of the week for the seniors will be the junior banquet Wednesday and a reception by the alumni Friday evening.

International Situation.

(By the Associated Press.)

SHARP differences have arisen among members of the German peace delegation over the peace treaty, and Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau, head of the Teutonic plenipotentiaries, may return to Berlin to discuss with the Ebert government whether the terms presented by the allied and associated governments will be the junior banquet Wednesday and a reception by the alumni Friday evening.

A majority of the delegates are asserted to be strongly against submission to the terms, and so marked has become the division between the opposing factions that it is probable

PORTLAND EXAMPLE TO ALL

BOOKLET ISSUED BY U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.

"Own Your Own Home" Campaign as Inaugurated in Portland Commended to Whole Nation.

Portland's "Own Your Own Home" campaign is used as an example for other cities to follow in a booklet issued by the information and education service of the department of labor.

The booklet makes a thorough discussion of the present need and value of such a campaign and the last ten pages are devoted to what has been done in Portland in connection with the campaign.

Portland was the first city to adopt the "Own Your Own Home" idea and it was not until after it was shown how stimulating the plan was to building of homes that government officials adopted it for a nation-wide campaign.

The opening night last New Year's eve, when the bungalow at Fourth and Front streets was dedicated with ceremonies followed by a public wedding, is described in detail.

The co-operation of union labor in building the bungalow, public-spirited citizens in furnishing the site; lumber association, plumbers and other allied trades, whose materials are essential to the construction of homes, in donating the material for the building, are lauded in the booklet. Mention is also made of the donation of light, heat and telephone by the public service corporations of Portland.

LODGES OF HONOR CONVEENE
District Comprises Centralia, Chehalis, Olympia and Castle Rock.

CENTRALIA, Wash., May 18.—(Special.)—A district convention of the Order of Honor was held in Centralia Friday with delegations in attendance from Centralia, Chehalis, Olympia, Tenino and Castle Rock, the five lodges comprising the district. Degree work by the Castle Rock team, a 6 o'clock dinner at the Hotel Wilson, an essay contest won by Mrs. A. M. Troxel of this city and an address by Mrs. Eva P. Gordon of Olympia, grand chief of honor, were features.

The following district officers were elected Friday: Mrs. Pearl Krupp, Tenino, president; Mrs. Mary Hunt, Castle Rock, vice-president; Mrs. Lizzie Burkenstock, Castle Rock, secretary; and Mrs. T. M. Phillips, Tenino, usher.

COMMONER MAY GET POST
James W. Lowther May Be British Ambassador to United States.

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LONDON, May 18.—(Special Cable.)—The Daily Mirror, learns on excellent authority that Sir James W. Lowther, speaker of the house of commons, would not be unwilling to accept the post of British ambassador to the United States in succession to Lord Reading.

"If, as it now seems probable," adds the Mirror, "the appointment is made, it would give immense satisfaction to the American people, for Lowther possesses in an eminent degree all the qualities required to make a great ambassador—intellectual distinction, diplomatic experience and the gift of cultivated oratory."

TWO HATS FOUND IN AUTO

Vancouver Man Awaits Women to Claim Their Headgear.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 18.—(Special.)—Two ladies' hats, perfectly good, are at the police station, awaiting their owners. They were found in an automobile belonging to Otto Behrens, of East Tenth street. His car was parked at Fifth and Washington streets and the hats were placed in the machine while there. In the sack holding them was a slip from Lipman & Wolfe, of Portland.

A lady's coat, with black and blue bars, was found near the plant of the Interstate Products company by the police and was placed in the station, awaiting its owner to call.

Aged Elma Man Dies.

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SEATTLE—TACOMA—SPOKANE

terday from the public service commission that the hearing of the proposed increase in gas rates in Centralia and Chehalis by the North Pacific Public Service company, which was to have been held in this city tomorrow, has been postponed until next Friday. The increase was to have been effective May 8, but was suspended 30 days, following the filing of a protest by gas consumers in the Twin Cities.

LOG CHAIN PROTECTS AUTO
Chicago Detective Takes No Chances With Thieves on His Car.

Lieutenant John Norton of the detective bureau is considered one of the best thief catchers in the country. Besides, he believes in safety first. Lieutenant Norton owns an automobile. He drives it to work almost every day and parks the car in "police lane" in North La Salle street, in front of the detective bureau and across the street from the Central detail police station.

"Somebody might steal your car," a detective sergeant shouted at Norton yesterday.

"Safety first," replied the lieutenant.

An examination of the automobile showed he had a log chain attached to

the automobile, which was wrapped and locked around a heavy iron railing of the tunnel.

"Safety first is right," said the "dick" as he passed along.

School Census Holds Up.
ABERDEEN, Wash., May 18.—(Special.)—Despite the fact that Aberdeen ships are employing some 2000 less men than they were a year ago, and that many families have moved away, the Aberdeen school census shows a gain of 129 children of school age as compared with the last school census.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 18.—(Special.)—Walter McDougal, owner of a local orchard and brother of J. B. McDougal, governor of the Chicago federal reserve bank, arrived yesterday from France, where he had been in service as a Y. M. C. A. worker. Mr. McDougal expects his banker brother to visit him here this summer.

Cattle Bring Good Prices.
CENTRALIA, Wash., May 18.—(Special.)—More than 500 persons yesterday attended an auction sale at the south-west Washington fair grounds, when 20 registered Holsteins, owned by Chas.

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