

ATTACK PLANNED BY HAIDANE 11 YEARS AGO

Designs Against France and England Known to Mr. Haldane in 1906.

PACT WITH BRITAIN ASKED

Revelations of Negotiations for Eight Years Before World War Published—Bulgaria Also Plotting Against Greece.

LONDON, Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Important revelations which form a valuable chapter in the history of British and German negotiations during the eight years before the war were published by the Manchester Guardian today. The revelations are a detailed account of the negotiations which Richard Haldane (now Viscount Haldane), then Secretary for War, conducted with Emperor William, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German Imperial Chancellor, Admiral von Tirpitz, Minister of the German Navy, and other German leaders, including striking conversations.

Haldane was the foremost student of Germany among the British public men and his career has been a storm center since the first of the attacks upon him being based on a charge that he knew of Germany's designs, but had reassured his fellow countrymen that all was well. Haldane visited Germany in September, 1906, as Minister of War. He took part first in conversations with the French general staff. The idea of these conversations was if Germany attacked France, Great Britain should be prepared to give military assistance and help hold the frontier opposite Belgium.

King Ferdinand Outwitted. Emperor William read a speech Haldane made in London Germany and invited him to attend the maneuvers. Haldane was anxious to get useful information about the German organization, so he accepted.

On his way he visited King Edward, who was stopping at Marienbad. "He there saw King Ferdinand of Bulgaria," says the Guardian, "who was worrying Haldane with a project that, if rumor is true, boded no good to Greece. King Edward very properly did not want to talk politics with Ferdinand. He told Lord Haldane that he must put an end to all of Ferdinand's conversation with himself."

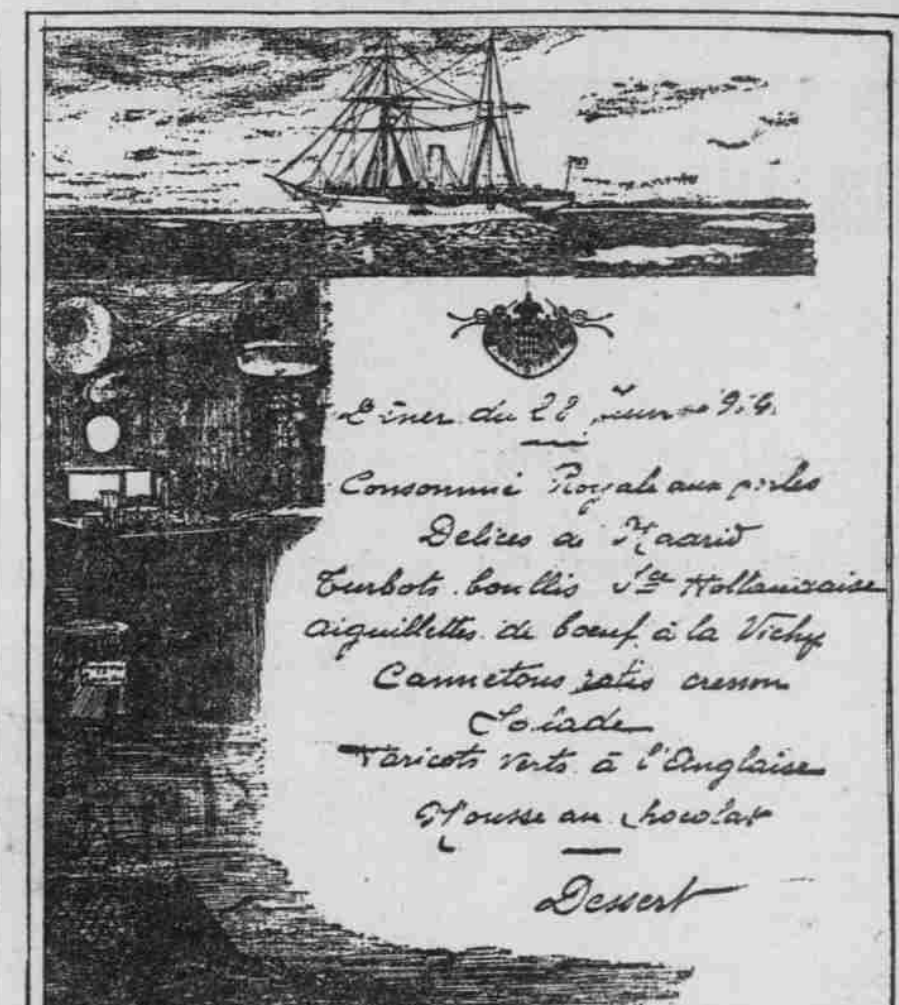
Haldane, not desiring to hear Ferdinand's projects against Greece, talked no volubly on other topics that Ferdinand could not get in a word edge-ways. Lieutenant-General von Moltke, chief of the general staff, in a conversation, asked Haldane to put whatever questions he liked. "In this case," he replied, "I shall call for the plans of an invasion of England."

Naval Attack on Britain Planned. Von Moltke replied: "We have not one in the building," to which Haldane, looking out of the window toward the sea, replied: "Perhaps they are there." Von Moltke admitted that they were and that they were very good plans, too. "The vulgar idea of the Kaiser as a deep and consistent schemer," says the article, "is almost certainly wrong. He is, before everything else, a power actor. He desires before anything to cut a figure on the world's stage. He is usually a very good actor, or am I not of the staff of the great Frederick? In small things as in the great."

Viscount Haldane visited Berlin again in the Spring of 1912, not to negotiate a treaty, but under instructions by Sir Edward Grey to discuss affairs freely and refer everything to the Cabinet. The subjects of conversation were the general European situation and the German military programme in consequence of the growth and power of Germany as the head of the triple alliance. Naturally there had been other power actors, but there was no reason why the triple alliance and what was called the triple entente should not be friendly.

every restriction calls for a new horde of petty officials. One cannot hunt on one's own land without a license, cannot fish without a license and for different kinds of fish must have a different license. Of course, these call for many officials to collect these licenses. If you want to keep cows you must milk in a certain kind of pail, see that your barn points straight to the north star; have a petty official come and tell you just where each cow shall stand, what you shall wear while you are milking, where the manure shall be put, etc. And it is seriously proposed that, even though a man may have a herd of 20 cows on a 20-acre farm that he shall be compelled to raise all his calves; cannot sell butter unless you have some highbrow come along and jiggle your cows with some kind of stuff. This country must have a deputy appointed to assist the head office with a little extra pay of \$5 a day. We are notified by an advertisement in The Oregonian that if you want to keep a dog after September 1 you must get a license or be subject to annoyance and arrest. Of course there must be another official somewhere to get a rakeoff from this license. Farmers are now to be told what they must grow, what we must eat, etc. I might go on enumerating ad infinitum the restrictions on individuality, all tending to choke individual initiative. And every restriction calling for a new horde of officials, but hope this will suffice.

The above is written as it is to call attention to what the writer believes is a wrong drift in our public affairs. The writer believes that this Nation has become great because of individual



MENU OF DINNER ON THE PRINCE OF MONACO'S YACHT.

liberty of action and initiative enjoyed by the citizenry. SYLVESTER E. EVANS.

FAITH IN U-BOAT LASTS

GERMAN FLEET COMMANDER FEELS SURE OF VICTORY.

Admiral Scheer Declares Americans May Make Themselves Unpleasant, but Cannot Harm Germany.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 1.—Confidence in the effect of unrestricted submarine warfare is expressed by Admiral Reinhard Scheer, commander of the German battle fleet, in an interview in the Leipzig Tageblatt. "This confidence," says the Admiral, "is shared by all our submarine commanders and no difference of opinion exists about it in our navy. It would be a mistake to name a definite date, but I am in the belief that if the rate of the sinkings continues as at present the day must come when England will recognize that war does not pay."

"With almost ideal obstinacy the English miss the mark and so far we have only been met with mines, nets and mines, and not with any new anti-submarine appliances. Our losses on the average are two to three monthly and are now than equated by new construction. "I do not underestimate America's support, neither do I attach too much importance to it. The Americans may make themselves unpleasant by means of increased supplies of airplanes and technical material, but they cannot harm us seriously from a military point of view and they will never become dangerous. They will no more be able to turn the scale in favor of the entente than Italy or Roumania."

Admiral Scheer expressed his conviction that the submarines will have decided the issue of the war, if America is ready to send a large army to Europe.

CHILD LAW IN EFFECT

HOURS OF LABOR REGULATED BY FEDERAL STATUTE.

State Agencies Relied on in Measure to Enforce Act Now Being Carried to Supreme Court.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 1.—The new Federal child-labor law became effective today, John P. McLaughlin, Labor Commissioner of California, returned recently from Washington, where he attended a conference at which California was designated as one in which permits issued under state authority will be accepted as having the same force and effect as certificates of age issued under the Federal act.

The Federal child-labor law provides that no child under 14 years old may be employed at any factory, workshop or cannery in the United States the products of which are to be shipped in interstate commerce, and no child under 16 years of age may be employed in any mine or quarry. Federal Judge James E. Boyd, of Greensboro, N. C., declared the law unconstitutional and it will be appealed to the United States Supreme Court at once for final test. The law is to be enforced by state agencies as far as possible. A simple device has been invented for pressing stones out of cherries without touching them with the hands.

'KIEL WEEK' SEES FIRST WAR CLOUD

English Correspondent Brings News of Assassination to German Festival.

DIPLOMATS NOT EXCITED

Emperor Leaves for Berlin, but Gives Express Orders That Festivities and Races Shall Go On as Arranged.

(Continued From First Page.) The "Schrippen Fest," because I was his guest.

Conversations with the Emperor which I had on later occasions were at

official audiences and to these the same rule does not apply. The Emperor also invited me to sail with him in his yacht, the Meteor, in the races from Kiel to Eckernforde on the coming Tuesday. Assassination News Received. Sunday afternoon Prince Henry and his wife, who reside in the castle at Kiel, were to give an afternoon reception and garden party, but on arriving at the gates we were told that the party would not take place. After going on board the Utawana, Frederick W. Wilo, the celebrated correspondent of the London Daily Mail, ranged up alongside in a small launch and informed us that the Archduke Franz Ferdinand, the heir to the Austrian throne, and his wife had been assassinated at Sarajevo. There was much rushing to and fro in fast launches, the Emperor himself being summoned from the race which was in progress. That night we dined on board the yacht of the Prince of Monaco. All the diplomats and notables whom I met during the afternoon and evening seemed to think that there was no chance that the tragedy at Sarajevo would lead to war. The next morning the Emperor left early for Berlin, but expressly directed that the festivities and races at Kiel should be carried out as arranged. Prince's Tongue Makes Slip. Monday afternoon there was a "Bierabend" in the large hall of the yacht club at Kiel. The Emperor was to have presided at this dinner, but his place was taken by his brother, Prince Henry, who, it will be remembered, visited the United States not so many years ago. Sir Oswald Goschen, the British Ambassador, who was living on one of the British battleships, sat on his right and I sat on his left. During the evening a curious incident happened. The Prince and I were talking of the dangers of after-dinner speaking and what a dangerous sport it was in the midst of our conversation some one whispered to the Prince and he rose to his feet, proposed the health of the visiting British Admiral and fleet and made a little speech. As he concluded, he said, addressing the officers of the British fleet, "We are sorry you are going and we are sorry you came."

It is remarkable as showing the discipline of the German nation and their respect for authority that thereafter no German ever referred to this curious slip of the tongue.

Prince of Monaco Is Scientist. The night was rather mild and after dinner we walked about the gardens of the yacht club. I had a long and interesting conversation with the Prince of Monaco. That Prince, who receives such a large income from the company which carries on the gambling rooms at Monte Carlo, is a man of the world intensely interested in scientific research; there is practically no corner of the seven seas into which his yacht has not poked her nose in the search for material for the sea museum which he has established at Monaco.

On Tuesday afternoon I boarded the Emperor's sailing yacht, the new Meteor. The race was a beautiful run from Kiel to Eckernforde and was won by the Meteor. As the Emperor was not on board, I did not get one of the souvenir scarfpins always given to guests who sail with him on a winning race. Among our crew was Grand Admiral von Koster, subsequently an advocate of the ruthless submarine war.

Prince Henry Gets Information. Eckernforde is a little fishing and bathing town. Nearby is the country residence of Prince Henry, a rather modest house built in English Elizabethan style. The wife of Prince Henry was a Princess of Hesse-Darmstadt, and is the sister of the Czarina of Russia.

We had tea with Prince and Princess Henry, their family, the Duke of Sonderburg-Glucksburg and several other of his family. The billiard-room of the house is decorated with the large original caricatures made by McCutcheon of the Prince's stay in America.

Prince and Princess Henry came out to dine on the Utawana, and Armour and the Prince went ashore to attend another Bierabend, but I dodged the smoke and beer and remained on board. Before he left the yacht, I had a talk with Prince Henry. He seemed most exercised over the dislike of the Germans by all other peoples and asked me why I thought it existed. I politely told him that I thought it existed because of the success which the Germans had had in all fields of endeavor, particularly in manufacturing and commerce. He said, with great truth, that he believed a great deal of it came from the bad manners of the traveling Germans.

Prince Henry is an able and reasonable man with a most delightful manner. He speaks English with a perfect English accent, and I think would be far happier as an English country gentleman than as the Grand Admiral of the German Baltic fleet. He has been devoted to automobile racing and has greatly encouraged that industry in Germany. The Automobile Club of Berlin is his particular pet.

Admiral Von Tirpitz Amiable. On returning to Kiel next day we spent several longer hours there. I lunched on board his battleship with Grand Admiral von Tirpitz, sitting next to him at the table. He struck me then as an amiable sea dog, combining much political and worldly wisdom with his knowledge of the sea. From Kiel we motored one night to dine with a count and Countess in their country house. This house had been built perhaps 200 years and was on one side of a square, the other three sides being formed by the great stone barns in which the produce of the estate was stored. Although the first floor of the house was elevable about eight feet above the ground, the family, on account of the dampness of that part of the world, lived in the second floor of the house. The Count and Countess were very friendly and the Count had, at a time when this part of the country was part of Denmark and about the year 1800, lent all his available money to the then King of Denmark. A crude painting in the hall showed him sitting in the hall of this particular house smoking a long pipe and surrounded by three or four sisters who were all spinning.

Countess told us that this picture represented the lending ancestor being supported by his sister while waiting the return of the loan which he had made to the Danish King, an early example of the situation disclosed by the popular song which runs, "Everybody Works but Father." Of course, no one ever expected a Prussian nobleman to do any work except in the line of war or governing the inferior classes of the country. (Continued Tomorrow.)

North Beach Train Change.

Beginning September 6, North Beach train and steamer service will be as follows: Ex-Sun. Ex-Sun. Sun. Only Lv. Nahcotta... 7:00am 7:00pm Lv. Long Beach 7:30am 1:24pm 12:44pm Ar. Astoria... 9:45am 3:50pm 2:35pm Ar. Portland... 9:00pm 9:00pm Lv. Portland... 8:00pm 8:00pm Ar. Astoria... 7:10am 1:00pm 3:30am Ar. Long Beach 9:30am 3:32pm 9:10am Ar. Nahcotta... 10:15am 4:15pm 10:00am Steamer "Hudson" runs Almsworth dock, except Sunday; \*via S. P. & S. R. Steamer service between Portland and Astoria, no change.—Adv.

Woman's Press Club to Meet.

The State Woman's Press Club will meet on Wednesday night, at 7:30 o'clock in the Library, room A. Mrs. Lucia P. Addison will give an address and Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp will speak on "Professing and Newspaper Make-up." The doors of the up-to-date garage are now controlled by an electric motor.

Advertisement for 'MAJESTIC' film 'Skinner's Baby' featuring Bryant Washburn. Text includes: 'He thought it was a Boy—but it Wasnt!', 'MAJESTIC Presents BRYANT WASHBURN in "Skinner's Baby"', 'Funnier than "Skinner's Dress Suit" to which it is a sequel—By the same author and with the same cast...', 'Forget the cost of living, Forget this awful war; Come, and you'll laugh—and laugh—and laugh—As you never laughed before!', 'with Pathe news and Scenic'.

GERARD TAKES ISSUE

Statement of Von Bethmann-Hollweg Is Contradicted.

GERMAN TERMS ADMITTED

Former American Ambassador Says It Is Matter of Great Regret That ex-Chancellor Was Put Out of Office by Government.

HAMILTON, Mont., Sept. 1.—James W. Gerard, former Ambassador to Germany, who is visiting at the Daly ranch near here, today took issue with Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the former Imperial Chancellor of Germany. The former Ambassador issued a statement in which he contradicted the statement of the former German Chancellor that Mr. Gerard had drawn on his imagination. "Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg," said Mr. Gerard, "apparently has not had the exact copy of my articles, for if he had read them he would have seen clearly that I said the peace terms described were the German peace terms, and not the opinions of the Chancellor. I wish to say that Dr. Hollweg said he himself was always subject to the rule of the military party of Germany and could not follow his own desires."

Hollweg Admits Guarantees.

"In the second place Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg admits that the German government intended to exact guarantees from Belgium and makes the admission himself in the interview in which he sharply criticizes me. "Thirdly, I wish to say if those terms as cited are not the German peace terms, then what are the German peace terms? "Dr. Hollweg gives nothing different from these and so it might be assumed they are the German terms after all. I consider it a matter of great regret that the German government put Dr. Hollweg out of office, and I feel that personally he is bitterly opposed to the ruthless submarine warfare of the German government and that he only refrained from resigning his office out of deference to the wishes of Emperor Wilhelm."

Ideals Are Liberal.

"I presume he was not put out because his ideals are too liberal for the German authorities to endure. This liberality is shown in the interview. I am sorry to take issue with Dr. Hollweg on this subject, because I have a great admiration for him and I think he is a fine old fellow. "As to the ethics of my articles, all I wish to say to that is that old-time diplomacy which Dr. Hollweg advocates, has succeeded in plunging almost the whole world into the bloodiest war of history. When the people of a nation know what is going on in the seats of government, such wars cannot happen."

Do not believe in back-stairs diplomacy any more than Dr. Hollweg believes apparently in what he is pleased to call shirt-sleeve diplomacy. I believe the people of a nation is entitled to know what is going on. This German diplomacy may be all right in

MRS. ABBIE E. STACY DIES

Funeral Services Are Under Auspices Woman's Relief Corps.

ASHLAND, Or., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Mrs. Abbie E. Stacy died Wednesday, aged 70 years. She had been ailing since her husband died two years ago this month.

VICTIM OF STABBING DIES

MOUTH OF WORKMAN RIPPED OPEN With Pair of Scissors.

SEWARD Alaska, Sept. 1.—J. J. Cunningham, a labor contractor at the Larson's Bay salmon cannery, ten miles from Uyak on Kodiak Island, died Thursday from wounds he received during a riot among Filipino laborers who were stabbed.

Aberdeen Pipeline Progresses.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Completion of Aberdeen's new \$400,000 water project is certain because several knife wounds, the mouth of a Filipino cannery employe was ripped open with a pair of scissors and two other Filipino laborers were stabbed.

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