

VON HINDENBURG'S DEATH DUE TO ROW

Aged Field Marshal Said to Have Succumbed to Stroke of Apoplexy.

KAISER PICKS QUARREL

Fatal Attack Declared in The Hague Newspaper to Have Followed Stormy Interview at German Headquarters.

AMSTERDAM, July 13.—(By the Associated Press.)—The death of Field Marshal von Hindenburg is announced in Les Nouvelles, a French language newspaper published at The Hague. Von Hindenburg's death, which resulted from congestion of the brain, is said to have occurred after a stormy interview with the German Emperor at great headquarters at Spa. The Emperor and the field marshal are declared to have had serious differences of opinion concerning the German offensive toward Paris.

The violent interview between Von Hindenburg and Emperor William took place on May 16, Les Nouvelles says. It was followed by an apoplectic stroke. The newspaper says its information was obtained "from good sources in the occupied district of Belgium."

In the last six months there have been several rumors of the death of Field Marshal von Hindenburg and there have been many reports that he has been in poor health. German newspapers were not permitted to mention the rumor.

Keeping step with reports of the field marshal's health have been dispatches indicating that the field marshal and the Emperor had disagreements concerning the German offensive in the west.

At the outbreak of the war Field Marshal von Hindenburg was a general in retirement. He was credited with evolving and carrying out the campaign against the Russians in East Prussia which resulted in the serious Russian defeat at Tannenberg, for which he was promoted to field marshal.

He continued to command the German forces on the Russian front until August 30, 1916, when he was appointed chief of the general staff in succession to General von Falkenhayn. When he became chief of the general staff, General Ludendorff, who had acted as his chief of staff on the Russian front, came with him as his right-hand man with the title of chief quartermaster-general.

Field Marshal Paul von Hindenburg was 70 years old last September 28.

8 DIE IN TROLLEY WRECK

SCORES INJURED IN DISASTER NEAR SAN FRANCISCO.

Car Crowded With Shipyard Workers Jumps Track at Curve in Visitation Valley.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—The lives of eight workers in San Francisco shipyards and other plants were crushed out today when a crowded streetcar in which they were riding to work jumped a curve and overturned in the Visitation Valley, a suburb south of the city. Over two score were injured, three of whom are not expected to live.

The dead were: K. M. Richardson, E. J. Baecher, B. Opliotto, Joseph Savonani, Joseph Garrie and Louis Armand and Herbert Perossa, brothers.

The only woman on the car, Miss Julia Malastina, 17, was injured, but not seriously.

Two companies of fire fighters and a score of police were called to raise the car so that dead and dying could be extracted. The rescuers worked for more than an hour before the smashed conveyance was rid of its burden of dead and unconscious humanity.

One report to the police placed responsibility for the wreck on a blacksmith's helper, who was said to have volunteered to run the car while the motorman-conductor, George W. Sweetman, collected fares. Sweetman insisted to the police that he was at the controller when the accident occurred and that it was caused by defective brakes. He was arrested on a charge of manslaughter.

Passengers said that it was the practice of the company to operate the cars on the line with a motorman only at certain periods of the day.

WIRE CONTROL BILL WINS

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aid, France, Frelinghuysen, Hale, Harding, Johnson, of California; Kellogg, Lemrot, McCumber, New, Penrose, Pomeroy, Reed, Sherman, Smith, of Michigan; Smoot, Sterling, Wadsworth and Watson.

Baker and Daniels Testify. Congress was asked to pass the legislation last week, and the President's insistence upon immediate action upset plans for a long recess last Saturday night.

Secretaries Baker and Daniels and Postmaster-General Burleson appeared before the House committee to urge action as a military necessity, the War and Navy Department heads declaring the Government should control communication systems to protect military secrets and insure prompt handling of Government messages.

A call for a strike of Western Union operators, issued for Monday by union officials, was mentioned frequently in the debate, but played virtually no part in determining the action of Congress.

Military Necessity Denied. Republican opposition to the measure was based largely on the contention that no military necessity had been shown and on objection to what was termed a further step toward Government ownership and Socialism.

Following is the resolution: "Resolved, That the President, during the continuance of the present war, is authorized and empowered, whenever he shall deem it to be necessary for the national security or defense, to supervise or to take possession and assume control of any telegraph, telephone, marine cable or radio system or systems, or any part thereof and to operate the same in such manner as may be necessary or desirable for the duration of the war, which supervision, possession, control or operation shall not extend beyond the date of the proclamation by the President of the exchange or ratifications of the treaty of peace."

Just Compensation Provided. "Provided that just compensation shall be made for such supervision, possession, control or operation, to be determined by the President; and if the

amount thereof so determined by the President is not satisfactory to the person entitled to receive the same such person shall be paid 75 per centum of the amount so determined by the President and shall be entitled to sue the United States to recover such further sum as, added to said 75 per centum, will make up such amount as will be just compensation therefor, in the manner provided for by section 24, paragraph 20, and section 145 of the judicial code.

"Provided further that nothing in this act shall be construed to amend, repeal, impair or affect existing laws or powers of the state in relation to taxation or the lawful police regulations of the several states, except wherein such laws, powers or regulations may affect the transmission of Government communications or the use of stocks and bonds by such system or systems."

Wage Increases Predicted. Although the statements of the Cabinet officers indicate that the powers might be used as soon as granted, there has been no announcement as to just what the President intends to do or when.

Wage increases may be expected within 30 days after the Government assumes wire control, declared Senators who were present in the debate which preceded its passage.

"If the President tells Congress this measure is necessary and why, I would vote for it," he concluded.

Senator Wadsworth, of New York, said the lack of knowledge about the telegraph and telephone "is complete in governmental circles." Politics, he charged, was back of the measure, and the intention was to bring permanent Government control of the wires.

"Is it not a fact that many business firms are handicapped by the way the postal service is handled?" asked Senator Harding, of Ohio.

"It is," replied the New York Senator. Senator Lemrot, of Wisconsin, said he believed the President was ill-advised regarding the threat of a strike.

NEW YORK EDITOR QUILTS

DR. GRUENING ENDS CONNECTION WITH TRIBUNE.

Reasons for Action Declared by Ogden Mills Reid, Publisher, to be "Purely Internal."

NEW YORK, July 13.—Dr. Ernest Gruening has ceased his connection as managing editor of the New York Tribune, today said that "the reasons were purely internal."

General officials today cleared Dr. Gruening of intimations that he had been under investigation and denied that he was in any way connected with the purchase of the New York Evening Mail in behalf of Germany.

Dr. Gruening happened to live in the same apartment house with Dr. Ruml, former publisher of the Mail, accused of perfidy in the affidavit; both denied knowing each other.

Mr. Gruening was born in New York, February 6, 1857, and was one of the youngest managing editors in the United States. His father was Emil Gruening, and his mother, before her marriage, was Phoebe Fridenberg. Mr. Gruening was educated at Harvard, graduating at the age of 20. Five years later he got an M. D. degree. He began his newspaper career as a reporter and writer of special articles for Hearst's Boston American in 1911.

ISSUE OF BONDS APPROVED

City Now Prepared to Buy in Delinquent Property.

Approval of the issuance of \$500,000 of bonds to be used to buying delinquent property, according to the terms of the amendment approved by the voters at the city election in May, has been received by City Attorney La Roche from the capital issues committee in Washington, D. C.

An early meeting of the City Council will be held to determine the property to be called in for sale first under the terms of the ordinance. All delinquent property is affected by the amendment, and unless owners pay up the delinquency, penalties will accrue against the property in addition to the usual interest charges, and at the end of three years the property will be sold at public auction by the city. The amendment was framed to force holders of large blocks of property to pay the improvements completed some years ago.

HOARDERS MAY FACE JAIL

Severe Sentences Promised Violators of Federal Food Laws.

In view of the large number of complaints reaching his office every week, United States Attorney Haney has resolved to deal more severely with hoarders of flour. To date these offenders have been let off with fines averaging about \$50, but Mr. Haney has decided to recommend a few jail sentences in the hope that it will effectively discourage the continued practice of hoarding flour and other necessary foodstuffs.

No household under the Federal regulations is permitted to have on hand more than enough flour to supply them for 30 days. All flour in excess of that amount, no matter when it was purchased, must be returned by the holder to the place from which it was purchased.

DENTIST FREED BY JURY

Albert Dewey Found Not Guilty on Criminal Attack Charge.

It took but one ballot for a jury, sitting before Circuit Judge Campbell, to free Albert Dewey, a dental professor, was not guilty of a criminal attack on a 14-year-old girl. The jury deliberated less than 15 minutes in returning a verdict completely exonerating Dr. Dewey.

The defense proved a strong alibi for Dr. Dewey, both by his wife and his expert medical testimony, convinced the jurors and others on the court that Dr. Dewey could not have been guilty of the crime charged.

Mrs. Dewey, who remained staunchly by her husband throughout the trial, collapsed when the verdict was read, and it was more than an hour before she recovered consciousness.

McNARY TO RESUME WORK

Oregon Senator Will Leave for Washington Tuesday.

SALEM, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—United States Senator McNary said today that he expects to leave for Washington next Tuesday to resume his work in Congress.

Definite plans as to his return had been delayed by the possibility of a recess.

PEACE SMASH OF GERMANY FUTILE

Official Washington Ignores Speech of Chancellor Von Hertling in Reichstag.

WILSON SEES HUN MOTIVE

President Believes Central Powers Willing to Give Up on Western Front If They Can Get Control of Russia.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—Germany's latest peace offensive, the crest of which has apparently been reached in the speech of Von Hertling before the Reichstag committee has apparently caused only a slight ripple of interest in the official world here.

Team work on the part of Austria is indicated in an official dispatch today from Switzerland, which says records of the regularly allied legations in Bern of an alleged Austrian peace emissary have been confirmed by the Journal of Geneva.

According to the reports, an Austrian from the pacifist party of Professor Lammasch presented himself at several legations of the allied powers at Bern, but in no case was he received.

Professor Lammasch on several former occasions is said to have made peace overtures to representatives of the allied countries.

No official cognizance is being given here to the latest peace speech of German Chancellor von Hertling. The Chancellor's statement that his government is bent on making peace was regarded as the first peace expression attributed to the military government since the German proposals were not unexpected.

President Wilson is known to believe that Germany is bent on regaining control of Russia and would willingly give up everything on the western front to accomplish that purpose.

AMSTERDAM, July 13.—A semi-official telegram received here today from Vienna says: "There have been many rumors lately that Austro-Hungarian agents in Bern and Switzerland have been endeavoring to establish contact with entente emissaries with a view to making overtures for peace. All such rumors are unfounded."

PARIS, July 13.—(Havas Agency.)—Count Hertling's speech in the Reichstag last Thursday, says Le Matin, "was one of the most awkward attempts of its kind."

L'Homme Libre, Premier Clemenceau's organ, wonders if it is not the German Chancellor's last speech.

FOUR THOUGHT TO BE DEAD

Explosion and Fire Destroy Ship in New York Harbor.

NEW YORK, July 13.—Four men are believed to have perished today in an explosion and fire which destroyed the Spanish steamship Serantes of 3000 gross tons, in New York harbor, causing a loss of approximately \$3,000,000. The vessel, loaded with oil, was under lease to the Standard Oil Company, and scheduled to sail tomorrow for Spain. It now lies a blackened hulk off Bay Ridge.

The men who lost their lives were reported to have been trapped in the hold. A United States coast guard cutter hastened to the rescue when officers noticed a great volume of smoke rising from the Serantes.

Before the cutter arrived there was a tremendous explosion apparently in the hold of the Spanish ship and most of her superstructure was torn away. Thirty-one officers and members of the crew were picked up.

FOUR TEACHERS TO TRAIN

Oregon Agricultural College Selects Men to Go to Presidio.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, July 13.—(Special.)—The appointment of four members of the faculty staff to receive military training at the special camp which will open at the Presidio of San Francisco July 15 has been announced by President J. W. Kerr.

The men are Dr. E. W. Hills, professor of office training, school of commerce; R. M. Howard, instructor in economics; D. R. Smith, instructor in civil engineering; and Eugene Robinson, assistant professor of rural architecture.

\$20,000,000 OIL LAND LOST

Decision Against Honolulu Company Rendered by U. S. Register.

VISALIA, Cal., July 13.—The Honolulu Oil Company was denied the right to recover Kern County oil land valued at \$20,000,000 which was withdrawn for patent by the Government in a decision of Register Frank Lansing, of the United States Land Office, here today.

The register held that negligence of the oil company to develop the land within the time limit set justified the Government in withdrawing it.

McARTHUR FAVORS BILL

Oregon Representative Addresses House on Water-Power Measure.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, July 13.—Representative McArthur addressed the House today in support of the water power bill. He emphasized the importance of legislation that would encourage private capital in the rapid development of unused water.

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Professor A. A. Knowlton, of the physics department of Reed College, will be in charge of the class, which is another of the war activity extension of the college. All who intend to take the course should register Wednesday night, July 17, at 7:30 o'clock.

Kansas Pioneer Passes.

TECUMSEH, Kan., July 1.—Patrick J. Smith, age 95 years, died at his home near Tecumseh, Kan. Mr. Smith had lived in Shawnee County about forty-five years, the greater part of that time in quiet life on his farm. He lived for a short time in North Topeka. He was born in Ireland, but came to

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