

SPARTACAN PLANS TO EXTEND POWERS SEEN

Strike Leaders' Move Masses by Means of Terrorism.

BERLIN SITUATION TENSE

In Wurtemberg, Heretofore Orderly, Spartacans Threaten to Rise. Civil War Is Feared.

BY CYRIL BROWN.

(Copyright by the New York World. Published by Arrangement.) COBLENZ, Feb. 28.—(Special Cable.)—The co-ordination here of alarming reports from all parts of Germany indicates that the first stage of the nation-wide Spartacan counter-revolution—its first line aim—is to seize political power for the purpose of ultimately realizing the communistic ideal of ruthless and complete socialization. The Cologne Gazette says the strike leaders are leading the masses with them by the employment of unscrupulous terrorism. Coblenz learns that the situation in Munich is of the most serious nature. The communists not only have possession of all the public buildings there, but of the bank-note engraving plant, so they have plenty of paper money at their disposal. The communists, it is reported, are holding not only Munich, but Augsburg and Nuremberg, while in the provinces the 2d Bavarian army corps refuse to recognize the soviet government, thus opening unlimited possibilities of civil war.

Strike Reports Alarm. Conditions in Bavaria will be even more serious if a general strike breaks out in central Germany. This would be of a decisive character if not quelled by the soviet government. Coblenz is alarmed by reports that Weimar is completely isolated by strike areas and that the Spartacans are continuing to destroy rail communication with Berlin. The Cologne Gazette learns the situation in Berlin is tense and that a general strike with bloody consequences must be reckoned with. A general strike is also reported to have broken out again in Hamburg and Osnabruck, in Hanover. Even in Wurtemberg, heretofore well ordered, the Spartacans threaten to rise with the possibility of a sanguinary civil war, as the Wurtemberg government has announced its determination to suppress ruthlessly any uprising.

Strike Starts in Saxony. A general strike has begun in Saxony. Leipzig is without light and gas. A strike is also reported to have started in Erfurt, although the storm center of central Germany apparently is Halle. Suggestive report reaches Coblenz from Botzroy that railroad travelers there are forcibly compelled to join the Spartacans league "membership" involving the payment of two marks before they are permitted to continue their journey. Equally suggestive is the report that three Spartacan leaders of Oberhausen were seen last evening in all the public for Holland with \$1800. The Coblenz Catholic newspaper organ characterizes the situation in Germany as one of "bloody morality."

SUBMARINE BAN PLANNED

(Continued From First Page.) lions which was reported favorably yesterday. Neither suggestion has yet, however, been passed upon by the supreme council or the plenary conference and the magnitude of the proposals lead to the belief that there will be con-

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considerable discussion before any such measure assumes definite form. Another heading of the financial report concerns the method of establishing international exchange which has been seriously deranged by war conditions, the issuance of paper currency and other measures. Another heading is the possibility of international loans from neutral states, as it is understood that neutrals have large stocks of money which may assist in the readjustment of world finances. The articles concerning enemy financial interests in backward communities covers such countries as Morocco, Turkey and China, and what should be done with the German-Bagdad railway and German concessions in Shantung and other parts of China. Most of the foregoing subjects are being considered with a view to permanent conditions after the war, although the requirements concerning the war and prewar debts of the enemy may figure in the peace treaty.

PRESIDENT COMPLETES PLANS

Arrangements Made for Wilson's Return to Peace Conference. PARIS, March 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—As a result of an exchange of cable messages today between President Wilson and the British premier, the plans were completed for the president's return to Paris and for the early assembling thereafter of the peace congress, with German delegates present. President Wilson at first planned to leave the George Washington land him at Antwerp, then to visit Brussels and the devastated regions of Belgium and France, and from there proceed to Paris. He desired to accomplish this in the understanding that Premier Lloyd George would be in Paris. E. M. House, in a talk by telephone with Mr. Lloyd George at London, elicited the fact that the premier would be obliged to return to London by March 22. Accordingly, the president's plan was given up. He will land at Brest on March 12 or 14, and come direct to Paris. The British prime minister will reach Paris about the same time and with the others of the council of the great powers. The preliminary peace treaty, which will then be ready, it is expected that these sessions will last until March 22, when Mr. Lloyd George will return to England and President Wilson will go to Brussels and the devastated regions. The peace treaty probably will reach such a definite stage during the sessions in which President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George will take part that a decision may be reached for assembling of the peace congress, with German delegates present, between April 1 and 15. The peace treaty then will be presented and will include military, naval, financial and economic features, all of which will in the meantime be formulated. Besides the military and naval terms now before the council of the great powers, they also will receive on Monday the report of the reparations commission on the huge sums the enemy countries will be required to pay for damages.

Canal Should Be Lined. UMATILLA IRRIGATION PROJECT ASKS SUM OF \$113,000. Necessity for Improvement Explained to Congress by Director Davis of Reclamation Service.

OREGON NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 1.—Of the \$113,000 appropriated for the Umatilla irrigation project in the civil sundry bill as reported out by the committee on appropriations of the house \$30,000 is to be expended on the canal system. Explaining this proposed canal system before the committee, Director A. P. Davis of the Reclamation service said: "This is partly to increase the capacity of the main canal. One of the difficulties on this project has been the impossibility of securing moderate water on an account of the open subsoil, and we find that the increased acreage served in taxing the canal so as to necessitate lining it. A large discrepancy between the acreage cropped and the acreage irrigated, it was explained, is due to the fact that so much of it is planted in fruit, and the acreage irrigated is small as compared to the acreage to which water could have been applied. The acreage irrigated was 5100 acres. The 25,888 acres for which water was available includes 19,000 acres just put under the ditch and for which 1918 was the first season. The balance of the \$113,000 appropriation for this year is proposed to expend as follows: Examination and surveys, \$500; lateral system, \$16,000; irrigated lands, \$500; operation and maintenance, \$55,000; reimbursable accounts, \$3000; indirect charges, \$3000. The appropriation for the current fiscal year is \$30,000, the most of which is expended."

HEALTH RECORD IS GOOD

Only Six Oregon Soldiers in Thousand Have Venereal Diseases. A copy of the Massachusetts State Bulletin on Social Hygiene containing the following interesting comment on Oregon's comparative freedom from social diseases has just been received in the office of the Oregon Social Hygiene society: Oregon has every reason to be proud of her place in the accompanying graphic which shows that less than six out of 1000 men from Oregon entering camps and cantonments were infected with venereal disease, as against 89 out of 1000 in the worst infected state. Official recognition for this remarkable achievement has been given the Oregon Social Hygiene society by Surgeon General Blue of the United States public health service. Since 1911 this society has carried on a vigorous state-wide campaign and has demonstrated by careful painstaking means that when given the right information, people will respond. Such results should certainly be a source of inspiration along social hygiene lines and lead to fresh efforts in the task of education. Legislative appropriations, in addition to large private subscriptions, made possible this constructive program, which trained corps of workers with literature and exhibits was sent into homes, schools, industrial plants and to the entertainment centers of the state. An important factor in combating venereal disease is the elimination of quick and unsafe treatment. Oregon has the distinction of being the first state to register against their evil-tendencies by public sentiment and effectively enforced.

Depositors to Get Dividends.

CENTRALIA, Wash., March 1.—(Special.)—A. R. Tiltow, receiver of the United States National bank, which closed its doors in September, 1914, Monday from his office in Tacoma, will mail dividend checks to the depositors of the institution, according to an announcement yesterday. The dividend will be for 10 per cent and will amount to approximately \$80,000. Its payment will make 60 per cent received by the depositors.

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DISPOSITION OF HUN WAR FLEET DEBATED

French Demand for Most of Ships Is Criticized.

ENGLISH DEPLORE CLAIMS

British Newspaper, The Nation, Is "Tired of Hearing of Special Claims of France."

BY JOSEPH W. GRIGG.

(Copyright by the New York World. Published by Arrangement.) LONDON, March 1.—(Special by Wire.)—French demands for a major part if not for the whole of the German fleet, and the desire of Italy to obtain the Austrian war vessels, again have centered public attention here on the final disposition of the enemy ships. The peace conference adopts the policy of distributing the vessels among the allied nations. Britons believe that they are entitled to the lion's share. In that case, it will then have to be decided what to do with them. There is little, if any, opinion among naval men that Great Britain would give up them to her fleet. On the contrary, the opinion was expressed to the War correspondent in well-lit quarters that they would probably be dismantled and used either as depot or school ships. It is generally believed that the British government has favored the scheme to sink the enemy vessels as the best way out of the problem of disarmament. No hard and fast policy in this connection, it is asserted, has been formulated. One argument from economic grounds against the sinking of \$55,000,000 worth of ships is that they can be used, when filled with concrete, as the foundations for breakwaters and piers. The world correspondent ascertained the views today of some noted naval men as to how the ships can best be disposed of. Ships' Value Minimized. Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge said: "If any allied or associated nation wishes to preserve the due portion of the German fleet and add it to its own fleet, there can surely be no objection. My personal view is that the German ships would not be worth the cost of preserving them." Commander Bellaire, a well-known writer and member of parliament, said: "Share the lighter craft in proportion to the losses. The dreadnaughts and submarines should be stripped of all their fittings and then sold for scrap metal that they be not resold, but broken up within 12 months of peace." Admiral Sir Edmund Fremantle said: "The destruction of the German ships would be wasteful. I would suggest an equal division between England and France, the ships to be dismantled and the machinery removed and used as necessary elsewhere, and the ships utilized as harbor depots for maritime warfare, ship repair, etc. Quite frankly, Italy could similarly appropriate the Austrian fleet."

French Demands Criticized.

Commenting upon the French demands the liberal weekly Nation strongly deprecates the desires of France to incorporate the German fleet in her navy, saying: "Quite frankly, we are tired of hearing of the special claims of France. One would have thought France would have laid special claim to the prolonged peace. Instead, her special claims end all in the same direction, towards introducing one after another the most intractable competition in arguments which precipitated the world war. Few in this country are prepared at France's bidding or any one else to see the race of armaments deliberately started all over again."

ANARCHY IN GERMAN TOWNS

(Continued From First Page.) according to a Zurich dispatch to the Matin. COPENHAGEN, March 1.—Government troops occupied Dusseldorf Friday. Spartacan leaders escaped and the town is quiet, according to advices. WEIMAR, Thursday, Feb. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—Strikers have declared their own republic. Weimar and cut it off, as far as possible, from the rest of Germany. They have partially accomplished this purpose by delaying and to some degree stopping mail trains. But for the

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WHISKY PLANT UNCOVERED

Big "Moonshine" Output Is Found on Long Island. NEW YORK.—Discovery of an illicit still where vast quantities of "moonshine" whisky and alcohol were being manufactured was made recently at Valley Stream, L. I., about sixteen miles from New York, according to local agents of the federal internal revenue service. Three alleged "moonshiners" were arrested. The plant was found, it was said, in a co-operate and barrel factory which had been in operation as such for more than ten years. In one shed the revenue officers, C. W. Nutt and J. M. Grossman, located pipes leading to an enormous underground tank which was filled with liquor.

Release of Prisoners Asked.

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