

GERMAN-RUSSIAN PACT FORECAST BY FRANK VANDERLIP

Bik Banker Points to Marked
Significance of Ludendorff and
Staff Leaving for Russia.

At the request of the United Press, Frank Vanderlip, noted financier, wrote the following article regarding probable economic results of the German revolution.

By Frank A. Vanderlip
(Written for the United Press.)
New York, March 13.—News of the overthrow of the German government by a peaceful revolution and the setting up of a new government representing the monarchical ideas of the German people is not in the least surprising. It has seemed for some time that the revolutionary overthrow of the present government was a strong probability, but it was difficult to judge whether that overthrow would be by right or left wing; by the monarchical party or the extreme radicals.

The German people have long been trained to firm political leadership. They have been profoundly dissatisfied with their present political position and they are inclined to believe that a majority of the nation will look with favor upon a reestablishment of a firm government.

IMPORTANT NEWS OVERLOOKED

To my mind, the most significant piece of news in some weeks prior to this end of an actual overthrow of the government was the cable report, which curiously has attracted very little attention, that Ludendorff and his staff recently left Berlin for Russia.

Russia today has a large and, in part, efficient army. Trotsky has developed a genius for military organization. Russia and Germany almost perfectly complement each other in points of strength and weakness.

Agriculturally, Germany has sterile fields. They have yielded comparatively large crops but at an enormous cost of fertilization and labor. The German people are the strongest in Europe in modern industrial organization. Russia has unlimited agricultural possibilities, is almost wholly composed of a peasant population, having no sympathy with communism and with its greatest desire to attain legal ownership of land represented by definite land deeds. The Russian nation is lacking in industrial leadership and, indeed, in political leadership, outside of a very small group.

TREMENDOUS SIGNIFICANCE

The developments of today have tremendous significance. If they result in a coalition of military strength; if they open the granary stores of Russia to the hungry population of Germany and if they bring to Russia the German genius for organization and German industrial capacity, Germany will be furnished food and certain greatly needed raw material and, in turn, may expect to put Russia's transportation system in order, furnish to Russia greatly needed manufactured products and give to Russia a certain amount of political direction. This would make a combination that is economically reasonable, but one that will immediately offer a great problem to the entente. It seems to be a most natural consequence of a peace long desired by the world, which were designed economically to crush a nation of 68,000,000 people. Had there been a prompt and more reasonable peace, some consequences as now seem possible might have been averted.

A new chapter has now opened. It promises to develop great difficulties for the entente powers, setting up, as it may, an exceedingly strong military and economic relationship. It may make the position of Poland extremely difficult and if it progresses along the lines I have indicated, its possible effect on the whole central European situation will be profound.

Germany's aim in beginning the war was the extension of her influence from the Baltic toward the south and the Mediterranean. It was to make a road for a field in which to display her industrial powers. The disastrous conclusion of the war left the only road for possible German expansion in the direction of the east, rather than the south. The setting up of a monarchical government may be the first step in the realization of this new ambition.

SOCIALISTS ARE HALTED IN BERLIN

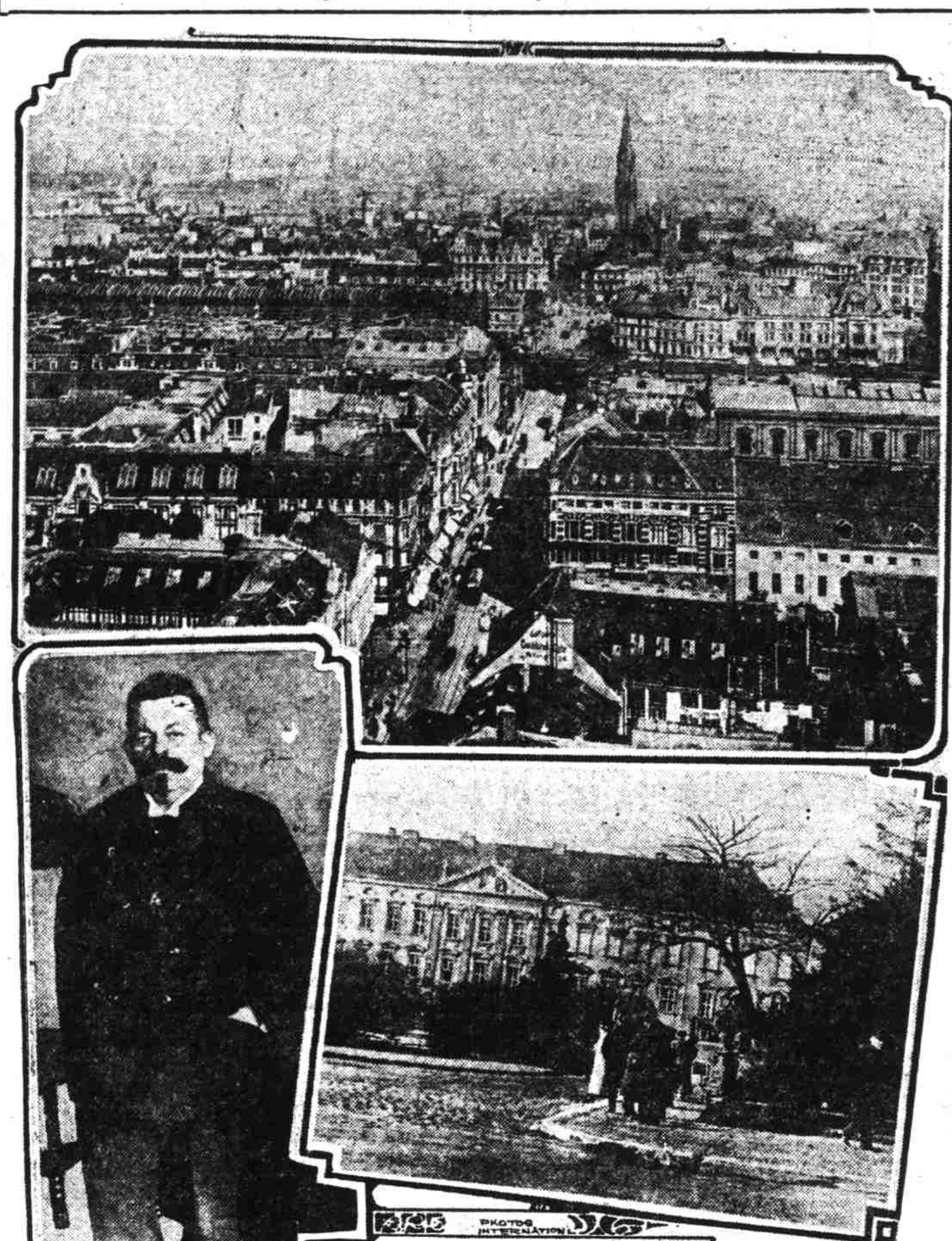
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Individual, but they continually arrested people for political opinions. "They loudly proclaimed that the republic is and must be a rule by the people, yet they refused in flagrant violation of our constitution to dissolve the national assembly and to appeal to the electorate."

"Last, but not least, a government

EBERT GOVERNMENT IN GERMANY FALLS

ABOVE is general view of Berlin where, through revolution by the monarchists, the republican government, headed by President Ebert, has been overthrown. Dr. Wolfgang Kapp, a leader of the monarchists and pan-Germans, having assumed the chancellorship. Below at the left is Ebert and at the right the house he occupied in Berlin.



first president of the German republic, was overthrown by revolutionary troops, presumably as part of an extensive reactionary plot. The coup was carried out without a hitch. Rumors were circulated yesterday of the impending events, but no one guessed the lightning rapidity with which the plot was to be consummated. About midnight news filtered into the city that the marine brigade quartered at Noerbert, 10 miles west of Berlin, was marching on the city, accompanied by rebellious troops from the Baltic divisions. Messengers immediately carried the news to the cabinet, which had been in session throughout the night. General Oldenhausen and Von Oven, with Lieutenant Colonel Wetzel, hurried from the city in a motor car in an effort to prevent the troops from entering the city. The government party met the approaching forces just outside Berlin. They conferred with Commanders Ehrhardt and Loewenstein, leaders of the troops, and urged them to return to their barracks, warning them that

whose chief spokesman is a man like Erzberger, must be swept aside. Our people are groaning under intolerable conditions. "The high cost of living and the difficulty of obtaining sufficient food has created dishonest trading and reprehensible practices to an extent not fully appreciated in foreign countries."

COLLAPSE IS FORCED

"We are on the brink of economic and moral collapse. "If the world is really convinced of the necessity of rebuilding economic Germany, and that such is the case we have been fully assured during the past week or two—then they (the other nations) will welcome the substitution of an honest for a dishonest one. "But be this as it may, the change of government is a purely internal and purely German question, which concerns only the German people. "At the same time, we readily recognize that foreign countries have a vital interest in not having a government in Germany which would or might in any way endanger the peace of Europe. "The present government is bent on preserving both internal and external peace, and to prevent a recurrence of the mistakes of the past or a return to the methods of the government now happily defunct and obsolete. (Signed) "Wolfgang Kapp, "Imperial Chancellor and "Premier of Prussia."

TROOPS MARCH ON BERLIN REGARDLESS OF WARNINGS

By Carl D. Grant
Berlin, March 13.—(U. P.)—Germany witnessed a bloodless but effective revolution today. The government of President Ebert,

FOCH IS REPORTED READY TO STRIKE

French Marshal Said to Plan to
Leave for Rhine Following
Berlin Developments.

London, March 13.—A strong report was circulated here tonight to the effect that Marshal Foch will leave Paris tomorrow for Mayence, the big Rhine bridgehead in the French zone of occupation, as a result of the developments in Berlin. The allies recently strengthened their forces along the Rhine in anticipation of today's contingency. It was learned from authoritative sources tonight. No military movements will be undertaken, however, unless serious disorders result, or an attempt is made to restore the Hohenzollern dynasty, it was said.

their actions might be fraught with the gravest consequences.

The commanders, curiously refusing the general's request, continued their march. The troops reached the Tiergarten railway station at 5 a. m. Their leaders immediately called upon the government to resign.

The greatest confusion followed. President Ebert, accompanied by his family, was reported to have fled from the city in an automobile.

Meantime the revolutionists, apparently working on carefully laid plans, issued a proclamation naming Dr. Wolfgang von Kapp, president of the fatherland, chancellor of Germany and premier of Prussia.

Major General Baron von Luetwitz, former military governor of Belgium, was named minister of defense, replacing Noske.

TROOPS ARE DISLOYAL

Noske, who had been active in other parts of the city, retaliated by issuing a statement calling upon all workers to declare a general strike. The defense minister, the bulwark of the Ebert regime, was powerless. His reichswehr and volunteer troops disbanded.

Von Kapp immediately issued a series of proclamations calling on the people to remain calm and declaring that the new government would preserve order. The Prussian diet was dissolved as was the constituent assembly.

The people of Berlin seemed to accept the situation stoically. Traffic continued as usual and there were no outward signs of great excitement except in the district surrounding the headquarters of the government.

PEOPLE ALL CALM

Early reports from the provinces after the government had spread news of its coup by wireless and telegraph, indicated that the people everywhere were apparently little disturbed by the revolution. The new government early assured the many foreigners in Berlin that they would be afforded full protection. It stationed soldiers at the Hotel Adlon, headquarters of most of the various foreign missions. Other detachments of troops patrolled the Wilhelmstrasse and Unter den Linden.

VON KAPP WAS BORN IN U. S. BUT UTTERLY HATES COUNTRY

By Edward T. Heyn
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(Written for the United Press.)
New York, March 13.—Dr. Wolfgang von Kapp, the new German chancellor, although born in this country, is one of the most bitter enemies of the United States. Dr. von Kapp is the son of Dr. Frederick Kapp, one of the greatest authorities on American history and biographer of von Steuber and de Kalb, who fought in the Revolutionary war.

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