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REICHSTAG TALKING PEACE; HINT AT RESTORED BELGIUM

German Socialists Contend That Nations Involved are Already Sick of Being Lured to Death; Want Peace

DEBATES ON SUBMARINES BARRED FROM MEETINGS

Budget Committee Unable to Agree on Policy; Satisfaction is Expressed of Military and Naval Achievements

(From New York Times)

Berlin, Oct. 11.—(Delayed)—Scarcely any meeting of the Reichstag since the war began has been awaited with such interest all over Germany as today's session, and, although there was no debate on the submarine question, there were speeches on internal and foreign policies of sufficient interest to fill pages.

Dr. Peter Spahn, leader of the Catholic Centre, left no doubt whatever that his party stood for war to the bitter end, which, according to his views, could be hastened only by compelling England to seek peace.

"In ancient wars," he said, "the principal aim was the tent of the Commanding General. For us this tent stands in England."

"If it is said that the opening of the Dardanelles is the paramount question for Russia, I am in position to state that Germany and Austria-Hungary were prepared to discuss this question with Russia many years ago."

"As to our relations to America and Eastern Asia, they cannot be governed by sympathies or antipathies, but only by actual interests. That is the Chancellor's policy, which has the Centre's approval."

About internal politics Dr. Spahn had not much to say, but said his party was in favor of the general readjustment of affairs which the Chancellor had outlined in his recent speech in the words: "Free competition for all who are efficient."

Next in importance was the speech of Philipp Scheidemann, the Socialist leader, who expressed satisfaction with the present military situation and said that, against all enemy calculations upon Rumania's part in the war, that country had been utterly defeated. Despite this, he said, peace had little chance at present in enemy countries. There was nothing to do but fight on until the limitless exaggerations of imaginary gains and the impossible war aims of Germany's enemies had subsided, and their war madness had made room for common sense.

Says all Nations Want Peace

After censuring those among the Germans who advocated unachievable war aims, Herr Scheidemann continued:

"It is said that because Briand and Lloyd George preach war to the death our Chancellor cannot possibly talk of peace; but we Socialists certainly can. We declare that the people want peace. I say this as a German Socialist, and I speak of the German people. But what I say of the German people English and Russian Socialists might say of their own people. If the contrary is maintained, it is nothing but a swindle. All the nations are heartily sick of being lured to death by high-sounding phrases and promises. But the French censor prevents Frenchmen from finding out that Belgium might be liberated today even without shedding another drop of blood. Their national press pictures Germans as far below any human being, and still millions of Frenchmen race to their death for the improbable chance of making four millions of Germans French subjects."

By the Associated Press

Philip Scheidemann, the Socialist leader, pointed out the vitality of the German nation as shown in the present war, criticized the censorship, and condemned the measures taken by the authorities for the distribution of food. The Socialist leader then discussed the peace problem and the objects of the war.

"Chances for peace today are poor," Herr Scheidemann said. "Since Briand and Lloyd George have preached war until the bitter end the Chancellor is unable to talk peace. But we are free to do so. The nations want peace. If

the contrary be said in any country, then it is absolutely untrue.

"The French nation is kept ignorant by censorial prohibition of the fact that it could see its country as well as Belgium still free today of German troops without shedding one more drop of blood and without losing one more square foot of soil. What do these nations still fight for? That the French shall stay in France, that the Belgians shall stay in Belgium, that the Germans shall stay in Germany. This is the main basis upon which the coming peace will be constructed.

"Distress reigns in all countries. The prices in English markets speak a clear language. Bread in England is dearer than it is with us. More than 1,000,000 children in England are underfed so greatly that they are unable to follow instructions in schools. From France the most pitiful complaints are heard. Italy suffers from famine already. Russia had better not be mentioned."

Count Westarp, the Conservative leader, said:

"We must have territorial integrity, political independence and free economic evolution for Germany."

He then protested against Herr Scheidemann's declaration that the French could have peace without losing one square foot of territory.

"No," the Conservative leader declared. "What we conquered at the cost of our blood we will hold as long as necessary in order to assure the future of the German nation."

Ordinance Passed At Special Session

Relates to Duties of Recorder and Treasurer; Change in Election Judges

At a special meeting of the city council held last evening, an ordinance defining the duties of the recorder and treasurer and fixing their salaries, was passed. At this time also, J. F. Powers, one of the election judges tendered his resignation. This was accepted and J. J. Browning was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Practically the only changes made in the ordinance from previous ordinances of this nature are that street assessments are now payable and collected by the recorder instead of by the treasurer, according to H. E. Walker, present city recorder. In the future the salary of the recorder will be \$65 a month and of the treasurer, \$100 annually.

A change was also made in the amount of bonds required from each. Formerly the treasurer was required to give \$10,000; this sum is cut to \$7,500. The recorder's bonds have been raised from \$1,000 to \$2,500.

The mayor and all councilmen, excepting Mr. Penwick, who was out of town were present at this meeting.

FEAR 'TOO MUCH MUSTARD'

Afraid English and German Won't Blend; Leads to Changes at H. S.

On account of the crowded conditions existing in the Springfield high school several changes were made in the classrooms last week. Mr. Stroud's physics class, which is an extremely noisy bunch, disturbed Miss Rhodes' English class, owing to the holes in the wall through which the noise is easily conducted. In turn, the ardent botanists were much annoyed by the harmonious (?) songs by Miss Rhodes' German third semester class. Miss Campbell has expressed fear of her class mixing German cabbage and English mustard.

The science classes have now taken refuge in Mr. Stroud's room which has been fitted up as a laboratory, and the old laboratory is being used as a recreation room.

Buying Many Potatoes

W. C. Miller, of Woodburn, who is located at the Springfield hotel and for the past 18 years has been a potato buyer, Saturday rented the Welby Stevens building on Third street, formerly occupied by the Springfield laundry, to be used as a warehouse. Mr. Miller is buying all the potatoes he can. Last week he shipped eight carloads to Woodburn. He is now buying them to store.

FOUR CITY OFFICIALS TO BE ELECTED NOV. 7

Only One Candidate On Field as Yet; Two Amendments Also To Be Passed On

By Leota McCracken

The people of Springfield, Oregon, will vote on Tuesday, November 7, 1916, for the following officers: city recorder, city treasurer, and two new councilmen. They will also pass on two amendments, which have been submitted to the council.

Herbert E. Walker, the present city recorder, it is rumored, will be up for renomination. No other candidate for this office has appeared on the field, as yet.

Lillian Gorrie England's time expires as city treasurer, at this time, and Walter R. Dimm is up as a candidate for the office. Mr. Dimm had a petition circulating among the citizens of the town, Tuesday.

The councilmen at present are: M. M. Peery, J. W. Coffin, Melvin Fenwick, and E. B. Weber. Messrs Peery and Coffin serve for another year but Messrs Fenwick and Weber go out of office this term. Mr. Weber was appointed by the Council to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Carl Fischer. It is thought that Mr. Weber will be renominated.

The two amendments to be up before the people are: First: to give the council the power to reassess property for improvement of streets or construction of sewers where the previous assessment has been found to be at fault or error. This amendment, if passed will give the council power to adjust the assessments for the improvements that have been made, or are to be made hereafter.

Second: To change the boundaries of the town. The Boller place is to be taken out of the corporation. It is not platted and has no buildings excepting those used for farm purposes; they feel that they had ought to be granted the permission to withdraw. The amount of property to be taken out would be about eighty acres and the assessed valuation would be between \$3,000.00 and \$4,000.00.

The election pamphlets are to be printed and distributed ten days before election day so that these amendments may be fully understood by the voters.

Local Rebekas go to Harrisburg

Among the Springfield Rebekas who attended the district convention at Harrisburg Wednesday are: Messames L. E. Durrin, J. T. Donaldson, H. E. Walker, J. McKay, W. F. Walker, Lee Clark, Mary McGill, Fannie Griffin, Mattie Hinson, R. P. Mortenson, L. C. Crouch, Al Montgomery, J. H. Bruminate, J. P. Fry, Anna Glendinning, Ma Collins and Vina McLean. Members of a crowd driving over in the evening were: Miss Alice Kester, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bally, and L. E. Durrin.

Come Out! Dance! It's For The Band

Springfield Musical Organization To Give Hop and Concert Friday Eve. Oct. 20

"Come Out And Support The Band." The Springfield band of 20 pieces will give a big concert at the Stevens' hall beginning at 8 o'clock Friday evening, October 20. Immediately following the concert a dance under the auspices of the band will be in order. For the latter, special orchestra music will be provided.

Considering that the band has been giving concerts, and good ones at that, free all during the summer, the admission prices of 10 cents for the concert and 50 cents for the dance certainly seem just.

The concert program follows:
March, U. S. N. Evans
Overture, Garden of Eden. Barnard
Waltzes, Rosida. Huff
Selections, Operatic Mingle. Berry
Intermezzo, Sweet Isabella. Young
Medley Overture, Southern Melodies. Hayes
Paraphase, Auld Lang Syne
Selection, A Merry-Go-Round. Perfect
March, The Premium. Dalbey
The Star Spangled Banner

Reopens Meat Market

Charles Hardt, who recently purchased the Peoples' Meat Market from Alfred Biglow, will open up his store Saturday morning with a complete line of fresh and cured meats. Mr. Hardt has completely remodeled the establishment giving it a neat appearance. Mr. Hardt says he will keep a line of fresh fish in addition to his meat supply.

SPUDS WILL BRING \$30,000 OR \$40,000 TO TOWN THIS YEAR

E. E. Morrison Estimates Yield at About 50 Bushels; Twice Last Year's Crop

ENTIRE AMOUNT IS SOLD

Springfield Becoming Known as a Potato Center Among Southern and Eastern Buyers

"Springfield is becoming noted as a potato center among southern and eastern buyers." So says Mayor E. E. Morrison, potato dealer. "There are the best potatoes around this city to be found in the valley," he added. Over 1900 sacks of potatoes were delivered in town yesterday.

Very few people know anything about the comparatively new industry which will bring between \$30,000 and \$40,000 outside money into the community this year. And this isn't an exceptional amount; according to Mr. Morrison the farmers of this community should build up the industry to the point where from 500 to 800 carloads of potatoes would be shipped annually.

"We have the market and the materials," he said, "but the farmers must turn out a good product; they must do their grading well, and put the potatoes in good sacks."

Between eight and ten thousand bushels of potatoes have been hauled to town thus far this year, and Mr. Morrison considers this only a good start. "There are at least five times as many to come," he said. Altogether 100 carloads will be shipped from this vicinity this year. Besides this, Mr. Morrison will ship probably 50 cars altogether from Creswell, Coburg, Lebanon, Monroe and Brownsville. At present he is storing at all points since more cars can not be secured, but as soon as they can, these potatoes will go to Southern buyers, to whom they have already been sold.

The yield is better this year, the acreage greater, and the price is away up. Last year's yield was about half of what is estimated for this year. Yesterday the buying price was \$1.15 per hundred, as contrasted with 75 cents at this time last year. And the latter was considered good.

Three years ago when Mr. Morrison began to build up this business, he shipped out three cars. The business has taken enormous strides each year, and still bigger things are predicted for it in the future.

Mathison Indicted By Grand Jury

He Was to be Arraigned Today; Gourley, Peery and Davis Cases Come Up

F. G. Mathison, who it is alleged has swindled farmers out of their lands, was Monday indicted by the grand jury for obtaining money under false pretenses. It is probable that he will be arraigned some time today.

Among the indictments against persons charged with violating the prohibition law are

F. S. Gourley, of Marcola, who had been indicted by the grand jury on three counts, one for the alleged giving and sale of liquor to a minor, another on the charge of giving liquor to a minor and a third for allowing a minor to play a game of pool in a public hall.

M. M. Peery, a Springfield druggist, individually, and Dr. G. E. Darrow, collectively, charged with the illegal sale of ethyl alcohol. Both pleaded not guilty in court Monday.

O. W. Davis, a Cottage Grove man who had been indicted by the grand jury on the charge of perjury in the signing of another's name for a shipment of liquor, pleaded guilty yesterday forenoon and was sentenced to serve a term of from two to five years in the state prison, but Judge Skipworth paroled him, stating that the penalty was too severe under the circumstances.

The new jury consists of J. M. Shelby, Carl Hopkins, Andrew Holland, H. O. Hayes, Arthur Lindsey, G. W. Carson, and Herbert M. Doty.

REVIVAL SERVICES WILL BE HELD NEXT MONTH

Christian Church has Engaged Jesse and Homer Kellems and Pianist For 4 Weeks' Series

Beginning with about the middle of November, revival services in charge of Jesse and Homer Kellems and a pianist will be held for about four weeks at the Christian church in this city. A committee composed of the Christian pastor, Chris. Jensen, J. C. Holbrook and E. E. Morrison is making preparations for the services.

Mr. Kellems, the evangelist, who has been very successful in the work, and according to Mr. Morrison comes highly recommended, is now holding a series of meetings at Dallas, immediately after the close of which he and his brother, the singer, and an accompanist will come to Springfield.

Both Jesse and Homer Kellems are graduates of the Eugene Bible University and are sons of Professor D. C. Kellems, professor in elocution and Oratory in the E. B. U.

FOOTBALL OUTLOOK GOOD

"Team Pretty Cocky at Present"—Moore; Play Eugene Friday

The football outlook for the Springfield high school is very good this year, although Coach Moore says the team is "pretty cocky" at present but after the first game or two they will know better just what they can do.

So far the line-up is: Beare, quarter back; Woolley, full back; Kester, left end; Bally left half; Bill Hill, left tackle; Cotton, center; Lester Hill, right half; Bryan, right end; McKay, right tackle; Grandy, left guard. The subs are: Rodenbo, Dimm, Gossier, and Male.

A game is scheduled Friday with Eugene second team. The manager also hopes to get games with Cottage Grove, Brownsville and Junction City.

Clif's Cafe Sold; Transfers Today

Mrs. Rosalie Letkewitz, is New Owner; Recently Moved Here From Portland

Cliff Lybarger, proprietor of Cliff's Cafe at this city yesterday sold the business to Mrs. Rosalie Letkewitz who recently moved to this city from Portland. The new owner took possession this morning.

Mr. Lybarger has conducted the restaurant since last February, and he states that he has found business very good. He said he would rest for awhile now, but he was undecided as to further plans. However it is probable that he and his family will leave Springfield after about two or three weeks.

The new owner, who is the sister of Mrs. F. A. Wesolowska will conduct the business by herself, but had nothing further to give out now concerning her plans.

TEACHERS HAVE MEETING

Plans are Made for Thanksgiving Celebration at Lincoln

The teachers of the grades met in the Lincoln school with Supt. R. L. Kirk. Plans for a Thanksgiving program on November twenty-fourth were discussed. The high school girls forming a teachers training class will take up specialties. An industrial course of five twenty minute periods will be added to the regular daily course.

The first five grades will give separate programs. The sixth, seventh, and eighth, comprising the departmental grades will give their program together.

The regular grade teachers will be asked to give special classes for the teachers training class. Hot lunches, physical training and forming of literary societies to help the girls when they go to their own schools, will be the principal subjects.

An industrial course of manual training grades with day modeling, picture mounting, cutting and whitening for the lower grades is to be added to the regular course of study.

Move In From West Springfield

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Nott have rented the J. J. Bryan house on the corner of Fifth and A streets, and will move into it Sunday. George C. Butson has leased their home in West Springfield for one year, and will take possession on November 1.

YEAR'S HOP YIELD IS NEARLY ALL IN 900 BALES SHORT

12 Growers Have Store Product in Springfield Feed Co.'s Warehouse; 2 to Come

LOSS IS CAUSED BY MOULD

Only Two Cars Have Been Shipped; Growers Holding For Advance in Price; Now 10 and 11 Cents

About 2500 bales of hops, representing the efforts of 12 growers, are now stored in the Springfield Feed Company's warehouse on South Second street. They began to come in about September 10 and by the end of another week the remainder of the hops from this vicinity which are not to be hauled to Eugene to be shipped over the Oregon Electric, will have been brought in, bringing the season's total up to between 2700 and 2800 bales. Probably two growers are yet to come in.

This amount is about three quarters the size of the crop last year, according to C. E. Lyon, manager of the Feed company. The loss has been caused by the mold which appeared after the damp weather. Although there is a trace of mold in some, on the whole the hops are good this year, being slightly larger than usual.

Thus far approximately two cars only have been sold. A part of these will go in small lots to England, others will find a berth in New York, and 150 bales went to Milwaukee.

The owners of the 20 or more carloads yet to go are holding in the hope that the market will go above 10 and 11 cents, where it is now. "The chances are that some growers will hold pretty well into the winter, and possibly until spring," Mr. Lyon said.

The figures given do not represent the entire yield of the territory around Springfield, as many growers have hauled to Eugene, because from that point they can ship over the Oregon Electric. "If they had the Oregon Electric railroad here, more hops would be shipped from this point, as often the growers can get better prices by shipping over that route, as the freight is a little less," said Manager Lyon. "Fifty two bales of hops were hauled by wagon to the Oregon Electric depot in Eugene last week."

Those growers who now have hops stored in the warehouse here are: E. E. Morrison, John Seavey, Palmer Brothers, Clark and Washburne, Arthur Easton, Tom Seavey, W. R. Hardy, Henry Hukriede, Herbert Smeede, George Knight, Glen Anderson and Manning Leonard.

DEBATE SUBJECT CHOSEN

Oregon High School League to Discuss Health Insurance, This Winter "Resolved that Oregon should adopt a health insurance law embodying the essential features of the 'Standard Bill' of the American Association for Labor Legislation."

This is the subject chosen for debate this winter by schools who belong to the Oregon High School Debating League, of which Springfield is a member. There are now 65 schools in the league contrasted with last year's membership of 51.

Health insurance was chosen because of increasing public interest in it, because of the soundness of the proposal in the west, and because it is expected to become an issue in Oregon within a year.

The 65 schools, contest for the University of Oregon cup, now held by Prineville high school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ames Leave

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ames and family leave Saturday for Summit, Oregon, where they plan to stay until February, when they will move to their newly acquired grain ranch at Mesa, Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Ames have lived for five years on a berry farm in West Springfield. F. W. Hampton and family of Connell, Washington, the new owners of the latter place, have recently moved onto it.

One of the largest sunflowers ever raised here is exhibited by L. M. Cagle, grown by him on the tract across the river. The blossom is 21 inches in diameter and is on display at the local feed store.