

# GERMAN CRISIS IS REPORTED ENDED

## NOSKE AND KAPP JOIN FOR ORDER

Berlin Dispatch Declares Minister of Defense in Ebert Govt. Reaches Agreement With Head of Reactionary Forces—New Govt. to Be Formed—Revolution Met With Slight Support—9 Killed in Clash at Leipzig.

BERLIN, Mar. 15.—(By Wireless to London)—It is reported here that the south German generals and the Saxon troops have given their adherence to Gustav Noske, minister of defense in the Ebert government.

PARIS, Mar. 15.—A Berlin dispatch received this evening states that an agreement has been reached between Chancellor Kapp of the new government and Gustav Noske, minister of defense in the Ebert government and that the government crisis in Germany has ended.

A new government for Germany will be constituted under the agreement between the old government and the new a Havas agency announcement states.

(By the Associated Press)—Germany's new government in Berlin is faced with extensive strike movements at many points throughout the nation, but as yet serious outbreaks have been averted in Berlin and other large centers. A clash at Leipzig between troops of the guard and a radical mob in which nine men were killed, was reported through Vienna. It has not been confirmed by direct advices.

The national assembly, which the Ebert regime counts upon for support, has been called to meet tomorrow at Stuttgart, where the old government's headquarters now are.

High government officials in London refer to the possibilities of civil war resulting from the present conflict.

The new German government is reported as making overtures to the old government to prevent stoppage of transportation through a general strike on the railways had already been called after the Kapp government had failed to make concessions to the labor leaders regarding the cabinet of the new cabinet.

The situation in Bavaria is uncertain. The socialist government there is reported to have resigned. A message to a Paris newspaper declares that the restoration of the Bavarian monarchy has been proclaimed. In general, however, it is declared in official advices to London that the new government is not receiving a great amount of support outside of Prussia. Even in Berlin, direct advices state, there appears to be little popular or political support for it.

Kaiser Is Nervous

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 14.—(By the Associated Press)—Former Emperor William spent the greater part of the day in the garden of Benthinck castle here he paced up and down with evidence of being under great nervous tension. Religious services were omitted today. The strain of the events of the last few days seems to weigh so heavily upon his mind that he cannot tolerate the company of others.

LONDON, Mar. 15.—Premier Lloyd George, referring in the house of commons today to the German revolution, said the allied governments would regard with anxiety any movement representing a monarchial or imperial reaction, but that it was well to await developments before taking any definite action.

Hungarians Rejoice

LONDON, Mar. 15.—Behind the movement to overthrow the Ebert government of Germany and substitute a conservative ministry stand well known military leaders, including Colonel Bauer, who has the reputation of being the most clever staff officer in the German army, saw a Berlin dispatch to the Daily Mail.

## JAP TROOPS SIBERIA REVOLT THREATEN TO JOIN RUSSIAN REDS

LONDON, Mar. 15.—A revolt has broken out among several units of the Japanese troops in Siberia, according to a wireless dispatch sent out by the soviet government at Moscow. The soldiers rioted off their shoulder straps and substituted red stripes, the dispatch says. Growth of the revolutionary movement in Korea also is reported by the dispatch which says that the Japanese authorities have made many arrests. At the same time, the message asserts, the Japanese government is taking special measures to fight the communist movement at home.

## 500 PEOPLE SEE "SPUDDING IN" OF TRIGONIA WELL

We're off at last. That first well of the Trigonía company which everybody is hoping will bring undreamed of prosperity to Medford and the entire valley, was started yesterday and the heavy drill is at its unceasing work of penetrating deeper and deeper into the earth and bringing nearer the time when all doubt of whether oil exists here in commercial quantities will be dissipated one way or the other.

Without any fuss or feathers drilling was begun Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the scheduled hour, and when work was discontinued for the day the drill had penetrated 15 feet into the earth. The cold stormy weather and a driving snow and rain storm in the afternoon not only prevented a great crowd of people from Medford, Ashland and other parts of the valley from witnessing the "spudding in" of the well, but also the christening and taking of moving pictures. The christening and moving picture taking was postponed until next Sunday afternoon.

As it was only a comparatively few people who had braved the storm were present when the drilling was begun at 2 o'clock, but more arrived every moment. Between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock probably not less than 500 people who came in 100 automobiles had visited the well and watched the drilling with eager interest. They did not stay long because of the inclement weather.

Most of the visitors, many of whom were stockholders, looked at the derrick and drilling situated in the midst of the beautiful Fern valley with awe. Here it was at last,—the much talked of well was being bored for oil after months of preparation, years of speculation and education as to the rosy possibilities.

Drilling was resumed this morning and continued all day. The night drilling will not be begun until the well is down a couple of hundred feet and that long expected 16-inch casing is on the ground. The hill of landing has arrived and the casing is on a freight train somewhere between here and Sacramento.

Spectal Musi Rialto

A special musical feature at the Rialto during the week of March 15th is offered the patrons of the popular theater by the manager, Mr. Hunt.

Leonard C. Pettit, Russian violinist with Irene Hampton Isaacs at the piano will render numbers by Fritz Kreisler, Massenet, Ch. de Beriot during the evening intermission.

Irene Hampton Isaacs is an absolute mistress of the keyboard. The beauty of her art reveals itself along lines of rare technical responsibility and an all embracing spontaneity of treatment which is as rare as it is refreshing.

## RESERVATION ARTICLE 10 IS ADOPTED

14 Democrats Vote With G. O. P. Leaders for Reservation Denying Obligations of Article 10—Last November Only 4 Democrats Voted for Similar Measure—Taft Compromise Reservation Is Rejected by 45 to 31.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15.—The new reservation drafted by republican leaders to deny the obligations of article ten of the peace treaty was substituted in the senate today for the reservation which was adopted last November.

The vote by which the substitution was made was 56 to 24, with 16 democrats voting for it and one republican against it.

The substitute was then adopted by the senate, 56 to 26, fourteen democrats voting with the republicans. The original reservation was adopted last November 46 to 23, with only four democrats supporting it.

Without a record vote the senate rejected Senator King's substitute, declaring that no obligation would be assumed in advance by the United States but that congress would consider recommendations of the league council to protect territorial integrity of any league member.

By a vote of 35 to 45 the senate refused to strike out on motion of Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, the proviso inserted in the republican substitute Saturday at the suggestion of the irrefragables, detailing that all controversies relating to questions of political independence and territorial integrity are included in the denial obligation.

All the republicans and four democrats voted against Senator Walsh's motion.

Walsh Amendment Killed

Another amendment by Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, declaring this nation would deplore any external territorial aggression menacing the peace of the world and would assure American co-operation to "end such threat," was voted down 41 to 34. Mr. Walsh said it followed a declaration by Senator Knox of American policy.

A substitute by Senator King, declaring that advice given by the league under article ten should be considered "only advice which each member nation is free to accept or reject," was defeated 47 to 31. Six democrats voted with the republicans against the King substitute.

Taft's Measure Beaten

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15.—Paving the way for a final vote on the reservation to article ten, the senate today rejected, 59 to 17, Senator Frelinghuysen's substitute proposing summary disavowal of all obligations.

The senate also promptly rejected, 46 to 30 the substitute reservation drafted by former President Taft, which was offered in the bi-partisan conference by Senator Hitchcock and presented to the senate today by Senator Kirby. The Taft draft disavowed any legal obligation but gave congress power to act under a moral obligation.

The reservation worked out but not agreed to in the bi-partisan conference was offered by Senator Kirby, democrat, Arkansas, and was rejected 55 to 31. All the republicans and Senators Gore, Reed, Shields, Williams and Harrison, democrats, voted against it.

Another substitute, by Senator Simmons, democrat, of North Carolina, was rejected 51 to 27. It proposed an obligation for use of American "friendly offices," to protect nations against external aggression but disclaimed any liability for use of American military or economic forces "unless in any particular congress \* \* \* should so provide."

## ALLIES FLATLY REFUSE RECOGNITION TO NEW GERMAN GOVERNMENT

LONDON, Mar. 15.—One of the first acts of the new government in Berlin was to request recognition from the allied commissions in Germany, according to an official British message today. The request was ignored, the commissioners taking the attitude that they would not extend recognition even to the extent of answering the communication.

## SENATOR JOHNSON ONLY CANDIDATE LEFT N. DAKOTA

BISMARCK, N. D., Mar. 15.—North Dakota faces the unique situation of a presidential preference primary on March 16 with but one candidate, Senator Hiram W. Johnson, entered. Intra-party delegation contests, pivoting about the Non-Partisan league, constitute the chief barbed wire entanglements on the voter battlefield.

Major General Leonard Wood and Governor Frank O. Lowden of Illinois, refrained from filing nominations after a second republican state convention had voted that delegates to the national convention should go uninstructed. William Jennings Bryan withdrew his name as democratic candidate.

The primary is to elect for each party a national committeeman, five presidential electors and ten national convention delegates.

Political observers declare both republicans and democrats have been divided on the issue of the non-partisan league.

There is considerable speculation as to whether republican delegates will be bound to vote for Senator Johnson at the Chicago convention. Under the state law the delegate takes an oath that he will faithfully carry out the wishes of his party as expressed by the primary.

For the first time in this state, women will vote for presidential electors but cannot vote for delegates to the national conventions, although the state may be represented in those conventions by women delegates, two of whom have been nominated by the republican party.

## LATEST NEWS OF THE STATE

PORTLAND, Mar. 15.—Campaign plans for the teachers' part in supporting the two mill tax levy to increase state funds for educational purposes have been outlined by the executive committee of the Oregon State Teachers' association, in the courthouse, it was announced today.

HOOD RIVER, Ore., Mar. 15.—It is not likely that Hood River will hold a celebration of blossom festival this year, according to an announcement today. Indications at present point to the Columbia river highway being closed entirely to traffic at the blooming period. Citizens, however, are planning on a strawberry festival in honor of visiting Shriners in June.

PORTLAND, Mar. 15.—Miss Mildred Johnson of Corvallis is the first woman to make application for civil service examination for the position of grazing assistant in the forestry service, it was announced today.

ASTORIA, Mar. 15.—Mrs. Eva R. Pentilla died today from injuries sustained Saturday night when she was struck by an automobile driven by Corporal Mauritzen of Fort Stevens. Mauritzen is being held pending the result of the coroner's inquest.

U-Boat Wrecked.

## TO ARRAIGN NINE I. W. W. NEW CHARGE

Sheehan and Smith Freed From Murder Charge by Jury Saturday Night—Taken to Chehalis for Arraignment on Charge of Murdering McElfresh—Vanderveer to File Motion for New Trial—Crowds Leave.

MONTEZANO, Wash., Mar. 15.—Nine of the ten alleged I. W. W. members, whose trial for the murder of Warren O. Grimm at Centralia on Armistice day, ended at Montesano Saturday night, will be arraigned on a charge of murdering Arthur McElfresh, a second Armistice day parade victim, it was announced here today.

Elmer Smith, I. W. W. attorney and Mike Sheehan, who were acquitted of the murder of Grimm, were taken to Chehalis and probably will be arraigned today. Arraignment of the other seven men will not take place until after sentence has been passed on their first conviction.

Attorney George Vanderveer, for the defense, has not yet filed motion for a new trial, and though the time for filing such a motion expires today, an extension of time likely will be given him. Considerable leeway also is given in the matter of filing affidavits giving reason for the new trial application, which according to law must be presented within two days after application for new trial.

Sentence on the seven convicted men will not be passed until arguments on the new trial motion have been heard. Filing of motion, of the supporting affidavits and arguments upon them are expected to occupy ten days to two weeks.

Montesano is deserted today by the hundreds who attended and took part in the trial proceedings. Judge Wilson, attorneys for the state and defense, and most of the newspaper men have left the city.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Mar. 15.—Elmer Smith and Mike Sheehan, alleged Industrial Workers of the World, were to be arraigned at Chehalis, Wash., today on a charge of murdering Arthur McElfresh, Centralia Armistice day parade victim, Smith and Sheehan were found not guilty at Montesano Saturday night of the murder of Warren O. Grimm, another parade victim.

The two defendants were taken from Montesano to Chehalis yesterday. Seven other alleged I. W. W. found guilty of second degree murder at Montesano, remained in jail there, pending the presenting of an application for a new trial.

## SLIDE IN PANAMA CANAL HOLDS UP LARGER VESSELS

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15.—Heavy draft ships undertaking passage of the Panama Canal probably will be subject to occasional delay of a day or two as the result of continuing landslides at Cacaracha, the war department has been advised by Governor Harding of the Panama canal zone.

The department announced today that the governor had cabled that the first slide occurred Friday night, resulting in holding up six ships of a draft of 25 feet or more, but that six other vessels of a draft of 22 1/2 feet or less passed through.

The delayed ships were expected to pass through yesterday. "Governor Harding reports," said the announcement, "that from a personal inspection of the slide, he anticipates intermittent movement for a few weeks with the possibility of an occasional delay of a day or two for heavy draft ships. The Cacaracha slide is on the east side of the canal immediately south of Gold Hill."

SEATTLE, Mar. 15.—Hugh M. Caldwell, former army major, became mayor of Seattle today noon. No ceremony of any kind was held when Caldwell took over the office from C. B. Fitzgerald, retiring mayor.

## DRAWING GRAND JURY TO INVESTIGATE INTO STATE TREASURERS OFFICE

SALEM, Mar. 15.—Drawing a grand jury to investigate the handling of public funds took place before Judge Percy O. Kelly in the circuit court here today. Without mentioning any department, the court said Governor Ben W. Olcott had called upon the attorney general to investigate thru a grand jury charges of mishandling of state money. Judge Kelly cited a supreme court interpretation to the effect that intent of a public official is not material if violation of the statute can be shown in that the state has been injured in the handling of public funds.

## MRS. M. BLAKELEY RESIGNS POSITION AS CO. TREASURER

It was with considerable surprise in court house circles and among her many friends thruout the county that it became known today that Mrs. Myrtle Blakeley of Medford, the county treasurer, expected to tender her formal resignation sometime today to the county court to take effect as soon as possible, and that she has accepted a position with the Portland Beaver Cement company at Gold Hill and will assume charge of the company's office the latter part of this week.

Mrs. Blakeley who is now serving her second elective term of two years as county treasurer, said today she was influenced to make the change because of increased remuneration she would receive in the new position in private life. Her term does not expire until next January, and her resignation can not be formally acted on until the next meeting of the county court, the first Wednesday in April at which time she will be released by her bondsmen. But she expects to assume the position with the cement company the latter part of this week, while still carrying on the responsibility of the county treasurer's office, which she will place in charge of her assistants.

Mrs. Blakeley's resignation will be received with much regret on the part of the general public, as during her over three years' incumbency as county treasurer she proved an able and courteous public official and made many new friends with those of the public who had dealings with the county treasurer's office.

## 4 YANKS BURNED SIBERIAN FIRE

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15.—Two members of the American expeditionary forces at Vladivostok were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the American barracks at that place March 6, and two others are missing, the war department was advised in a cablegram received today from Major General Graves. The men were Privates Alexander V. Labauz, quartermaster corps, Oakland, Cal.; Merrill D. Martin, Company M, 31st infantry, Tulsa, Okla.; Julius W. Morris, Company M, 31st infantry, Ringford, N. J.; James A. Brantley, 27th infantry, Fitzgerald, Ga.

The bodies of two of the men were found in the ruins, but were so badly burned that identification was not possible.

## SCHLESWIG VOTES FAVOR GERMANY

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 15.—Latest unofficial figures relative to the plebiscite held yesterday in the second zone in Schleswig show that 13,925 votes were cast for Denmark, while 48,148 were in favor of German control. The districts of Goting, Hodebusum and Uterson show Danish majorities. Results in four districts have not been learned.

## 3 FRENCH CORPS SENT TO RHINE

France Plans to Double Forces on German Frontier, Occupying Wiesbaden, Neustadt and Bonn—U. S. Troops Numbering 13,000, Will Not Take Part in Advance Without Specific Directions From President—Failure to Ratify Treaty Complicates Situation.

PARIS, Mar. 15.—(Havas). France contemplates sending three more army corps to Wiesbaden, Neustadt and Bonn, thus doubling her forces along the Rhine, according to the Petit Parisien. Reports reaching here state every step has been taken to maintain order in occupied districts of Germany.

Information would seem to indicate the utmost calm is prevailing in Germany, although severe censorship in Berlin may be responsible for a lack of detailed news from that city.

Advices from other sources, however, indicate the reactionary movement begun Saturday morning is confined to Berlin, and that mobs are busy looting stores in some quarters of the city.

Military forces at Leipzig appear to favor the new regime, while a contrary view of the situation is taken by the people generally, it is reported. The German national assembly has been summoned to meet at Stuttgart Tuesday.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15.—(By Associated Press.) While technically still under the direction of Marshal Foch, American troops on the Rhine would not participate in any allied advance into Germany without specific directions from President Wilson, it was said today at the war department.

Officials said the situation so far as the American forces were concerned was a complex one. The United States is the only nation having troops on the Rhine which has not become a party to the treaty of Versailles, it was explained, and consequently the American detachment is governed by the terms of the armistice. Under those terms they still wear subject technically to the orders of Marshal Foch as the supreme allied commander.

Steps being taken overseas for possible military action against Germany as a result of the revolution were being closely followed here. Interest centered in Marshal Foch's conference today with the allied commanders at Mayence and in the reports from Paris that after this conference he would call a meeting of the supreme war council. The United States is not now represented on that council.

The American forces on the Rhine consist of about 13,000 troops under Major General Henry T. Allen.

## NAVY LIEUTENANT PURCHASES FIERO ORCHARD \$23,000

The latest big orchard sale reported is the purchase of the Alberta orchard, one-half mile east of Central Point, formerly owned by Mrs. Fiero, mother of A. Couro Fiero, by Lieutenant Paul Scherer of the U. S. navy, whose home is at Pasadena, Calif., for a \$23,000 consideration. The place consists of 77 acres, 43 of which are in bearing apples and pears, and has a nice cottage, a packing house and a barn. The property was purchased of the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance company, and the sale was made thru the real estate firm of Brown & White. Lieutenant Scherer will reside on the property and develop and improve it, as soon as he receives his discharge from the navy sometime in May. He has been here several times in the past month and it is understood that he only made the purchase after looking over the other orchard sections of the state.