GERMAN STAND ON PEACE PLAN AIDS MEDIATION

President Wilson Hopeful That Further Negotiations Will Result From United States' Offer to Act.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18,-President from informal sounding of Germany and

This was the situation today regarding pase and mediation overtures, according pase and mediation overtures, according to a high authority. It is still too early to discuss terms but by careful and slow discussions through both official and slow discussions through both official and private sources, the President, it is said, has reason for hope that some definite peace overtures may be presented at an

early date.

The President characterizes the sentiments expressed by German Chancelor Bethmann-Hollwer to Ambassador Gerard, "as non-committal." It was authoritatively stated today that the ncellor's conversation with Gerard did not touch upon terms or even suggest possible ecceptance of the President's mediation overtures.

SEEKS ALLIES ATTITUDE. It is understood that the Chancellor enly went so far as to say (whether with of without the Kaiser's knowledge and consent is unknown to officials here), that Germany could not consider or even us mediation until the position of

the allies was known.

No reply was made by Emperor William himself, nor did the Imperial Chancellor indicate whether or not he spoke en behalf of his monarch, Ambassador ferard cabled President Wilson the Chan-pellor's remarks from recollection, which

rere substantially as follows: Germany was appreciative of the American Government's interest and offer of services in trying to make peace. Germany did not want war. peace. Germany did not want war, but had it forced on her. Even if she defeats France, she must likewise vanquish both Great Britain and Kussla, as all three have made an agree-ment not to make peace except by common consent. Similarly, England has announced through Premier As-

has announced through Premier Asguith and her diplomatists and newspapers that she Intended to fight to
the limit of her endurance.

In view of that determination on
the part of Great Britain, the United
States ought to get proposals of peace
from the allies. Germany could accept only a lasting peace, one that
would make her people secure against
future attacks. To accept mediation
now would be interpreted by the allies
as a sign of weakness on the part of as a sign of weakness on the part of Germany, and would be misunderstood by the German people who, having made great sacrifices, had the right to demand guarantees of security. PRESIDENT TO ACT.

While the greatest official secrecy surfounds the peace negotiations, it was accepted today that the President would shortly make guarded informal inquiries from the allies, advising them of the German Chancellor's position. It was reported that the President would ask if the allies could present any tentative nter-proposals, or other suggestions in new of the Chancellor's stand that might wing the nations together upon some plane of preliminary discussion.

It was evident today that President Wil-on himself is personally handling the mediation and peace overtures to the exoxion of Secretary of State Bryan and

cission of Secretary of State Bryan and other officials and even excluding the diplomatic representatives here of the warring powers. That he expects to take an active personal role in the ultimate peace proceedings is forecasted.

Silred by the issuance of the latest "white paper" from London, dealing with the rupture between Russia, and Germany and Hussia and Austria, both Count Johann von Fernstorff, the German Ambassador, and Dr. Constantin Dumba, Austria's Ambassador at Washington, depict of sir Maurice led loday the assertion of Sir Maurice De Bunsen that Germany had made peace The German and Austrian representa-

Russia, not Germany was the real agreeser. They intimated strongly that the British "white paper" containing flaurice's assertion was written from a partial point of view and was untrue.

Von Bernstorff suid the atrocities were likewise raise.

CHRISTIANA, Seut. 18.
The Aften Posten today published a blegram from Berlin, passed by the German censor, announcing that at a con-ference soon to be held in Washington a basis for peace will be reached.

HOME RULE BILL NOW LAW

Signature of King George Places It

On Statute Books. LONDON, Sept. 18.-King George today signed the home rule bill, which thus form on the statute books as a law.

The Irish Home Rule bill received its third passage by the House of Communs for the veto of the House of Lord: sev-eral months ago. By the "Parlianear eral months ago. By the "Parliament act," which removed the power of veto by the House of Lords of bills which had been thrice passed by the Commons, it then needed only the King's signature to

By agreement of Premier Asquith and the leaders of both parties it will not become operative until after the end of the war.

SIX ARE DEAD. 20 HURT IN ALABAMA RAILROAD WRECK

Passenger Train Is Ditched by Running Into Broken Rail.

MOBILE, Ala., Sept. 18,-Six person ine killed and 20 injured in a wreck at 2 o'clock this morning on the Ala-bana Great Southern Railroad near Livingston Ala, when passenger train No. 2 was ditched by running into a troken rail.

Those killed were in the first-class heach Many had marvelous escapes. Early reports reaching here paged in that foll much higher.

PREPARING TO FLEE VERA CRUZ VERA (AUZ. Sept. 18. Fearing for the dety of their lives after the American ety of their lives after the American open are withdrawn from this port, ederico Gamben, once Foreign Minest Enrique Creel, formerly Mexican abarantot at Washington, and several her former officials, together with sens of other toen once high in public lelps of Mexico, are preparing to fice a the first whip leaving here. They besse they will be subjected to arrest findignities as soon as the Americans of sembarked for the United Tates. indignities as soon as the America embarked for the United 'tates.

DENIES TRANSPORTING TROOPS MONTREAL, Sept. 18.

of the statements circulated The United States that Australian, New Zealand and Indian troops have been being through Canada in enormous Embers, interfering with ordinary passenses traffic, G. M. Howorth, vice president of the Canadian Pacific Rallway, taged it was absolutely untrue that any toops from the colonies named have and through Canada in connection with

BOYS LEAD THE WAY IN RAISING FUNDS FOR THE RED CROSS

His Brother Dale Expect to Raise \$500 and Have Made a Splendid Start.

Two boys, members of a prominent Chestnut Hill family, one 12, the other 13 years old, have collected \$75 for the Wilson is "extremely hopeful" that prog- Red Cross Society and will swell the Wilson is content of the Europe will result sum to \$150 when promised checks come in. Both have been following the struggle in Europe daily. They read of the carnage, the misery and the suffering of soldiers and their families. They saw pictures of poor women with little boys clutching to their skirts and carrying babes. Then they decided to "work on their own hook" as one of them expressed it, to help the soldlers,

the mothers and the boys in Europe. The persevering boys who got such results are Austin M. Purves, Jr., and had his best-known affair, to San Franhis brother, Dale Benson Purves. They are sons of Austin M. Purves, vice president of the Pennsylvania Salt

They are businesslike in their manner, and one is convinced of their sincerlty when they tell in boyish way how much the money is needed. The mother of the boys has been prominently connected with the Pennsylvania Association Opposed to Woman Suf-frage. It is in the name of this organization that the youngsters are making their collections. But it is not because of the prominence of their parents that

they have succeeded.

The boys got the money on their merits.
One man who subscribed said: "Why, they gave me an argument in plain language that I couldn't refuse. One of the young-sters started to write my name down while I was talking to him, I simply couldn't have asked him to erase it even if I didn't want to contribute. The little collectors have only been collecting since Tuesday, and they say that they won't stop until they get at least \$500."

BOY DESCRIBES METHOD. When asked to outline the method they follow in the collection of funds, Austin, who seems to be the spokesman of the two, replied:

"We usually go to a house, and, after ringing the bell, ask for the lady of the house. When she comes we ask her to contribute to the Women's Relief Committee of the Pennsylvania Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, and then we tell her that the money is for the Red Cross, and that it is to go to Europe to help take ware of all the men who have been burt in the war."

'And do they usually give you something?"

"Oh yes! We have been pretty lucky so far, they almost always give some-thing, even if it's only a quarter."

"Yes, we get as much as \$10 some-"And after you have got a contribution from one house you go on to the next

"Oh, no we don't-not until we have given them a receipt for the money," and the younger boy produced a receipt book in which all the contributions were neatly registered.

When asked if they had any regular hours for making collections the older boy replied: and get all we can, and then wait until late in the afternoon when the people

are coming out from the city before try-ing it again."

ing it again,"
"Yes, that's the trouble," Dale explained, "so many people are not at home during the day, you know."
That this lad is a keen observer is shown by a remark which he made a moment later:

"The people who are very rich don't give us so much," he volunteered; "it's the people who haven't got very much themselves that want to help most of

PLAN EXTENSIVE CAMPAIGN. When asked to outline their plans for

the future, Austin replied; "We are just collecting in Chestnut Hill now, but later we are going down on Chestnut street and collect in all the big office buildings. Of course, we couldn't do more than two of them a day, but we could probably get lots of

Mrs. Purves, however, seemed very doubtful about this phase of the young-

sters' plans,
When asked how long they expected
to continue their efforts, it was said that
the length of the war would determine the length of the war would determine that point, although, as Dale put it:
"Of course, we won't be able to do very much after next Tuesday, because our school, the Germantown Friends' School, starts then; but we are going to keep right on and do just as much as we can."

Austin maintains an attitude of strict partrailty on the war in Europe, but

mentrality on the war in Europe, but his brother stoutly maintains that he is "for the Germans, but not for the

That the children have really done wonderful work in connection with the ked dross is a fact denied by none, and if they continue to be as successful in the future as they have been this week their contributions are certain to figure promiover to the Red Cross Society,

RUSSIA INSISTS PRUSSIA MUST BE DESTROYED

No Peace Overtures Will Be Considered Until Then.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 18. "The Russian Foreign Office is in full accord with the Governments of our allies and therefore will decline to admit to consideration any form of negotia-tions, direct or otherwise, relating to the conclusion of peace until the nest of militarism in Germany has been ut-terly destroyed," says the Evening

Bourse Gazette.
"That means necessarily until Prussia ceases to play a predominant role among the German states and also until Gres. Britain and France are satisfied in full regarding their personal demands. "From our own point of view we must see that Poland at last is unified and that we are able to attain the complete realization of our own Russian aspirations as well as the general aspirations

"Until this can be accomplished every effort of the representatives of Germany, diplomat or otherwise, to bring about peace is foredoomed to failure.

MILAN, Sept. 18.—The Corriere Della Serra pribis an article saying that pre-liminary steps have been taken looking to peace between Russia and Austria. It declares that such a compact would not be opposed by England and France and that it is probable that Austria would be compensated with territory drawn from Germany should she retire from the war now.

WOUNDS "WHIP" TO AVENGE DEATH OF FLORENCE SCHENCK

Says Vanderbilt Groom Offered to Pay for Girl's Murder, Meant to Kill

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.-Charles H. Wilson, Gwynne Vanderbilt's stable nished gossip for two continents, was backed up against a wall in the Vanderbilt stables at the Westchester horse show at White Plains yesterday afternoon and shot at five times by Frederick Schultz, said to be a house detective at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. Wilson escaped with a slight wound in the foot.

According to Schultz, Wilson promised him \$1000 to take Florence Rosser Schenck, with whom the famous whip cisco and there murder her. Miss Schenck died last January from a broken heart, her friends said. It was after a conversation of 10 or 15 minutes' duration on this subject yesterday afternoon that Schultz suddenly pulled a revolver and emptied it at Wilson.

Stable men rushed forward wrenched the revolver from Schultz, while others lifted Wilson to his feet. Sheriff Doyle took charge of Schultz, who began to talk to the excited crowd around him. He declared that he had avenged the death of Miss Schenck. whom Wilson cast off. Before he could talk further he was hustled away to

One of the high priced Vanderbilt horses, according to witnesses of the attack, saved Wilson's life. When Schultz opened fire the stable manager leaped behind one of the animals, leaving the sleuth the alternative of killing the horse or using for his target that part of Wilson's anatomy that was still in range. This was Wilson's fect, and Schultz made the most of his opportunity.

Although Schultz denied that he had intended to harm the famous whip, but had planued only to scare him, witnesses say that as he was being led away from the stables to juil he shouted back to

"I meant to kill you, but I didn't because you are not good enough for that."

If the shooting follows, as his assailant asserts, from Wilson's treatment of Florence Schenck, it is the fourth or fifth event in the aftermath of trouble directly connected with six months in the summe of 1906, when the whip and the beautiful daughter of Dr. P. S. Schenck, of Nor-folk, Va., finished a season at the London horse show with a gay tour of smart set cafes in that city and Paris.

Wilson met Miss Schenck that year when she was eighteen years old and he was 45. He persuaded her, the girl claimed, under promise of marriage, to make a secret trip to Richmond, Va., on which Wilson explained that he was married, but that as soon as he was free he would make her his wife.

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NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—James Ben Ali Haggin, financier and turfman, who died September 12, left his fortune of \$15,000,-000 to his widow, daughter and grandchildren. His will has been filed for probate.

FRED E. LEWIS SEES DEMAND FOR FUSION TO DEFEAT PENROSE

Withdraw as Washington Party Candidate in Interest of United Attack.

ALLENTOWN, Pa. Sept. 18. Speculaion relative to complete fusion between the Washington and the Democratic parties, part of the program being the withdrawal of either Gifford Pinchot or Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer, the Washington and Democratic candidates, respectively, for the United States Senate, has been revived here by Fred E. Lewis, Washington party candidate for Secretary of Internal Affairs, who returned yesterday from Harrisburg, where he attended the meet-

ing of the Progressive State Committee. The anti-Penrose sentiment throughout the State is so strong, Mr. Lewis declared, that the probable result will be a popular demand for both parties to unite on one man who can defeat the Penrose machine, Regarding his own would make no comment. He did not seem to favor the thought of his becoming the fusion candidate for Lieutenant Governor.

"It is noticeable," he said, "that Mr. Pinchot the last few days has been say ing in his speeches that if he thought he were weaker than Palmer he would withdraw from the contest. This, I take it, shows an indication to see Mr. Palmer take the same stand, whereupon there might be a conference and a canvass of the situation to determine ought to be the centre of a further fusion movement. Just at present the situation. o far as further fusion is concerned, is

DR. BRUMBAUGH MEETS WITH SUCCESS IN CENTRE COUNTY

Republican Candidate Makes Clear His Stand on Issues.

BELLE FONTE, Pa., Sept. 18.-Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh, the Republican omince for Governor, reached here this niorning after a successful day cam-paigning in Center County. His principal addresses yesterday were at Tyrone, State College, and at the Grange Fair, Centre Hall. At the last place he was accompanied by Frank B. McClain, can-didato for Licutenant Governor. Dr. Brumbaugh referred to the work

he has accomplished along educational lines in Pennsylvania as illustrating what might be expected of him as governor He declared he would bow to no man' inducate and that he would give to the people of the state the best service he

On the local option issue he took a very positive stand, reiterating his previous declaration that the people of Pennsylva-nia are honest and intelligent enough to settle for themselves the question of the sale of liquor in the various counties.

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Two men were arrested this morning for shooting pigeons at the Smith Pigeon Farms, near City Line and York road. They were William Kelley, Beech avenue and Lamott street, and James Johnson, 1308 Sellers street. The men were gunning for shooting pigeons at the Smith Pigeon Farms, near City Line and York road. They were William Kelley, Beech avenue and Lamott street, and James Johnson, 1308 Sellers street. The men were gunning for shooting pigeons at the Smith Pigeon Farms, near City Line and York road. They were William Kelley, Beech avenue and Lamott street, and James Johnson, 1308 Sellers street. The men were arrested this morning for shooting pigeons at the Smith Pigeon Farms, near City Line and York road. They were William Kelley, Beech avenue and Lamott street, and James Johnson, 1308 Sellers attention to the control of th pigeon farm they came across a flock of pigeons and fired into them, bringing down a great number, according to the police. They were arrested and taken before Magistrate Pennock, in Germantown, who fined each \$12.59. The men were employed on the Elkins estate.

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CITIZENS UP IN ARMS OVER DELAY IN TRANSIT PLANS

Section Protests Against Councils' Failure to Improve Facilities.

Homeowners and business men in the streets, and Woodland and Lancaster avenues, in West Philadelphia, are up in arms against Councils as a body for the facilities in Philadelphia, and against the Councilmen representing the wards in which the territory is included, for neglecting, after six years of constant demand from the residents, to obtain a crosstown surface line on 55th street.

The movement will have the backing of the 57th Street Business Men's Association, the 56th and Market Streets Busi-

ness Men's Association, the 56th and Spruce Streets Business Men's Improvement Association the Larchwood Avenue Improvement Association and the Baltimore Avenue Business Men's Improvement Association and Spruce Improvement Association, the 56th and Spruce Improvement Association, the 56th and Spruce Improvement Association, the 56th and Improvement Association and Impro

ment Association. COUNCILMEN ARE DENOUNCED. Select Councilman Edward W. Patton, of the 27th Ward, has been almost universally denounced, together with every other Councilman from West Philadelphia, for having falled to work whole-Austin M. Purves, Jr., and Alleged Detective, Who Believes Pinchot Ready to Large West Philadelphia phia, for having falled to work whole-heartestly in Councils in the interests of West Philadelphia.

The business men of the district have been valuly trying to interest the P. R. T. Company and Councils in transit conditions in the neighborhood of 56th street for six years. These conditions have been so bad for the last two years especially, that residents of the neighborhood waste Is minutes every time they go to work.

The surface lines on Market street,
Spruce street, Baltimore avenue and Spruce street, Baltimore svenue and Woodland avenue, and the elevated on Market street can be reached by most of the residents of the 56th street neighborhood only by a walk of several squares. Most of them walk to the 52d. 56th and 60th street stations and take the elevated to work in the mornings.

WILL FAVOR ENTIRE PROGRAM. These conditions have been complained igainst repeatedly by the residents of the section. With an immediate start in the transit program virtually assured, new life has been injected into their fight for the car line, and they are preparing to lapse of memory became apparent,

sive program, because they believe that they can obtain the 56th street line as part of that plan more quickly than if they ask to have it built independently of the entire system, as Councilman Pat-ton has been reported to have suggested. Present conditions of halted development because of lack of adequate transit facili-ties in the neighborhood of 50th street are among the worst in the city. Large areas are being held vacant by the owners until the car line is a reality. The section above Vine street is almost undeveloped, and for a few hundred feet, 55th street in that neighborhood is not cut through. Between Market and Woodland avenue,

CAN'T TELL ABOUT HIMSELF

every street in the district is dotted with vacant lots, and in some places entire

German Here in Search of Kin Has Memory Lapse.

blocks are vacant.

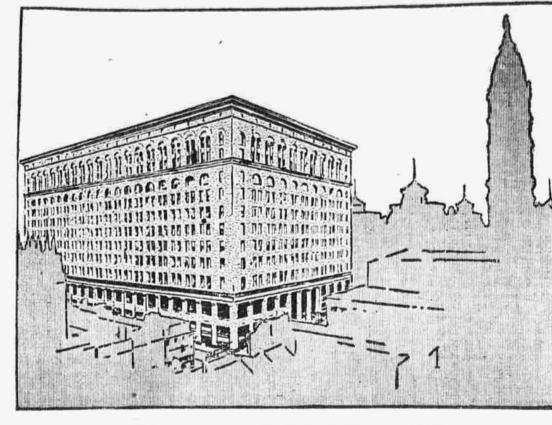
A man who gave his name as John Wood, 48 years old, is in the Germantown Hospital suffering from a lapse of mem ory. The man is unable to tell anything about himself, other than that he came to Philadelphia in search of his son Fred, who, he says, works as a machinist, is married and has several children. His daughter, whose name he cannot recall,

lives with her brother Fred.
The man walked into the hospital this morning and asked for treatment. When the customary questions were asked the

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