

HOLLWEG TO LOSE POST, SAY RUMORS

Bavarian Premier, Now in Berlin, Reported Slated for Chancellor

INTERNAL UNREST GROWS

AMSTERDAM, May 9. Members of the German Reichstag were quoted in Berlin dispatches today as predicting Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweg's reply to interpellations on Germany's war aims would be preceded by an official peace pronouncement on behalf of the Central Powers. Date for the speech was not specified.

LONDON, May 9.

The presence in Berlin today of the Bavarian Premier, Count Hertling, has revived rumors in Germany that he is to succeed Von Bethmann-Hollweg as Imperial Chancellor, according to dispatches received via Holland. From Zurich it was reported that Hertling had already tendered his resignation, but there was no confirmation of such a rumor.

Count Hertling is ostensibly in Berlin to preside at the meeting of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Federal Council. All the Holland dispatches emphasized the existence of a serious internal political crisis in Germany. For weeks it has been apparent that the opposition is slowly crystallizing. Heretofore the Chancellor has succeeded in weathering all opposition because of the inability of the opposing political parties to get together on any concerted plan of forcing his retirement. Today German newspapers indicated a fresh attack on Hertling likely to afford ground for such concerted action. In dissatisfaction over repeated postponement of the Chancellor's much-advertised speech outlining Germany's war aims.

GERMAN PEOPLE URGE FRANK STATEMENT OF NATION'S AIM IN WAR

AMSTERDAM, May 9. Speculation as to what Imperial Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg may have to say about Germany's war aims in his forthcoming speech is resulting in widespread demand for less "secret diplomacy" in Germany's administration, according to German newspapers received here today. A certain section of the German press has begun an active campaign demanding that the Chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, announce peace terms that would be propitious to Russia. Telegrams from Berlin today said that the Chancellor was being urged to speak in plain, frank terms "before it is too late."

The Cologne Gazette, which is sometimes spoken of as a semi-official organ of the German Government, in favor of the publication of at least some of Germany's war aims, says: It need hardly be said that the German Government does not share the ideas of the Socialists and pacifists, nor does it entertain any Napoleonic ambitions. The Vossische Zeitung, of Berlin, intimates that the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Bundesrath will answer the political attacks on the German Chancellor by giving him a vote of confidence. While the Vossische Zeitung asks for a statement on peace, it indicates that it will be content if the Chancellor goes no further than Russia in outlining Germany's war aims. The Vossische Zeitung, a copy of which has just been received here, bitterly assails lack of complete frankness by the German Governmental autocracy now and in the past, declaring:

Our statements must really make an effort to clarify their desires in their own minds and then stand for their demands against foreign diplomacy. The editorial referred to a "misty atmosphere in the Foreign Office." The Koelnische Zeitung combats the plea for complete frankness in foreign affairs by insisting that if a bargainer desired to negotiate he would not "shoot his terms in the market place." The Socialist organ Vorwaerts reverts its demand for a statement by Hollweg outlining Germany's war aims, particularly replying to Russia's recent announcements. "If a frank, bold statement is made corresponding to the Russian peace plan," the editorial says, "Germany and Austria-Hungary will be united, and it is expected that America, which at heart is pacifist, or France and England, now directly in want from the submarine war, will not long resist this propaganda."

RUSSIAN SOCIALISTS INVITED TO STOCKHOLM

PETROGRAD, May 9. An invitation has been extended to all Russian Socialist parties to participate in the International Socialist Congress at Stockholm by M. Borgbjerg, the Danish Socialist leader. M. Borgbjerg came to Petrograd and presented the invitation to the executive committee of the Soldiers and Workers' Delegates on behalf of committee representing the labor parties of Denmark, Sweden and Norway. M. Borgbjerg also made known to the executive committee the peace terms proposed by the official Russian Socialist Democratic party, or the majority faction. This party, it was explained, recognizing the right of nations to freedom of development, advocates the introduction of compulsory international arbitration, the restoration by Germany of all conquered territories, a plebiscite in Russian Poland, with freedom to choose between independence or annexation by Russia or Germany; the restoration of independence to Belgium, Serbia and Rumania; the restoration to Bulgaria of the Bulgarian districts of Macedonia and the granting to Serbia of a free port on the Adriatic. Regarding Alsace and Lorraine, the committee was informed, the party believes that the rectification of the Lorraine frontier will be obtainable through an amicable understanding. The program of the German minority section, he said, was still wider. The proposals will be discussed at an early sitting of the executive committee.

WEST PHILADELPHIA HIGH PUPILS SALUTE MARSHAL

Boys and Girls Line Six Blocks in Demonstration for General Joffre

General Joffre paid special tribute to the boys and girls of the West Philadelphia High School for Girls and the West Philadelphia High School for Boys, who held a special demonstration all their own along the line of march this morning. He saluted the young people all along the six blocks they filed. One thousand girls, organized under the direction of the student chairman, Miss Elizabeth McIntosh, and Miss Margaret Remington, one of the teachers, appeared in costume—blue skirts, white middie blouses and red ties—while 1500 boys appeared at attention under the direction of the chairman of the military and sports committee, R. T. Shaw. These 2500 young people formed a line six blocks long, extending from Girard avenue to the Thirty-fourth street bridge on the Thirty-fourth street hill in Fairmount Park. They carried French and American

ALLIED MISSIONS' WORK IN U. S. ENDS

Big Problems Solved—Only Details Remain to Be Settled

PLAN FOR RETURN TRIP

WASHINGTON, May 9. The work of the Anglo-French mission to this country is completed. Only details remain to be worked out. The big problems have been solved. Already arrangements are being made for the return home of the distinguished visitors. Among the things accomplished which may be made public are the following: A complete comprehensive plan for financing the Entente has been arranged. Under it all of Germany's enemies will have their credit in the United States so bolstered up that an uninterrupted supply of war material and food will go forward. Arrangements were whereby Great Britain and France will throw into the transatlantic trade their reserve shipping, depending on the United States to make up the deficiency that is sure to come from the continued successes of the German U-boats. Plans completed for sending American troops to France and especially for sending trained men to handle all transportation behind the lines, thus solving the greatest problem affecting British and French commanders-in-chief. Plans completed for the part the United States navy is to play in the developments of the coming summer. In connection it is admitted that Brazil will give great assistance by opening her harbors to American and Entente warships, by placing her chief warships under the direction of the United States and by furnishing merchant shipping for the transatlantic trade. Tentative plans made so that the United States will take over distribution of foodstuffs to the Entente.

In addition, the visit of the two commissions has done much to solidify the war sentiment in the United States. The commissions have made it plain that there still is much to be done and that the United States will have to plan a "big nation" part in the struggle. A great deal that has been accomplished by the missions cannot be made public at this time. The plans will work out, but until then they must be concealed. The British connection it is admitted, the latter part of the week and will join the French mission to receive the official welcome of New York city on Friday. After that the question of returning home will be speedily settled. Meanwhile the Italian commission will come here to take up with the Administration the pressing needs of Italy.

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BALFOUR AND MADDO TEST RACQUETS AT NETS

International Tennis Match Between British Envoy and Secretary of Treasury

WASHINGTON, May 9.—An international tennis match was played on the White House courts this afternoon when Arthur J. Balfour and Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo left talk of war loans temporarily to try their hands at serve and lob. Whether Balfour is an adept at the game is unknown, but he has been playing with members of the British embassy corps regularly since his arrival.

Wilson Wakes Up Congress on War Bills

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a separate measure, so that the ravages of the German submarines shall be effectively checked and famine kept away from the enemies of Germany. That the espionage bill be passed in such manner that a real censorship which will prevent war secrets leaking to the enemy can be established. That the war revenue tax bill be hurried through so that the taxes can be made immediately effective.

ALLIES' NEEDS SHOWN

The President told his visitors that the German submarines now were sinking vessels at an enormous rate and that unless the United States was ready to fill the gaps it was only a question of time when both England and France would face starvation. England at present has only a two-months' supply of food on hand, he said. He explained that the Entente was compelled to hold back many of its available ships because of the fact that they were considered a "last reserve." But the commissions now here have agreed, he said, that all of this reserve will be utilized on promise that the United States would get vessels ready to take their places should they be sunk. There was a full and free discussion of the situation and the congressional representatives announced they would get immediate action.

BILLION FOR SHIPS

The billion dollars Uncle Sam will spend at once for ships to combat the submarine will go for purchase of second-hand vessels and construction of new ones. The plan was tentatively decided on is to attach the appropriation of \$500,000,000 for it on the urgency deficiency bill, making that sum available at once. The remainder will be provided when wanted later. The shipping board is understood to have made a complete survey of all ships for sale in the United States. If owners of these ships show any hesitancy in selling to the Government, should the Government want the ships, means will be found to bring such owners to terms. The means may be through the bill now pending, which would give the President power to commandeer all shipping. To insure prompt and efficient handling of all supplies in carrying out the Government shipbuilding program, the shipping board today created the office of director of traffic of the board and the emergency fleet corporation. Major General George W. Goethals, general manager of the corporation, and William Demman, chairman of the board, announced the appointment of David L. Ewing, of St. Louis, to the new office. Ewing was formerly assistant general freight agent of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad. He will take up his duties in Washington immediately.

MRS. EPOLOUCCI TO WED ANOTHER NAVAL MAN

WASHINGTON, May 9.—Mrs. Elizabeth Epoulucci, widow of Frank Epoulucci, the first American naval seaman to die while defending an armed American merchantman against a German U-boat, will be married, probably tonight. A marriage license has been issued to Mrs. Epoulucci and William Rader, of Cleveland, Ohio, the biggest man in the naval service. Rader stands six feet and six inches and weighs 300 pounds. Epoulucci was a member of the naval gun crew of the steamship Arctic, sunk some time ago. Mrs. Epoulucci is from Annapolis. Rader will be her third naval husband.

COTTON IS LOWER, WITH TONE STEADY

Drop Results From Recessions in Liverpool and Selling Due to Good Weather

NEW YORK, May 9.—Following the lead of Liverpool, which was weaker than expected, owing to a poor Manchester market, the local cotton market opened 6 to 15 points lower today, but with the tone steady. There was selling on the more favorable weather over the belt. Not only was it warmer in most sections, but the lines suggested the possibility of more rain in the Southwest, where it is needed, and of continued clear weather in the eastern belt at least for a day or more. Having less direct interest as a result of yesterday's late covering movement, the market was rather poorly supplied with buyers, and at the end of the first fifteen minutes was quiet, with prices generally about 10 to 15 points under last night's close. The market turned weaker after 11 o'clock under continued liquidation, local and Wall street selling. There was also heavy selling by wire houses, part of which may have come from southern and western sources, and the decline extended to 13 1/4 for July and 18 3/4 for October, or 38 to 42 points net lower. After the big break and the executing of stop orders, prices rallied 10 to 14 points from the lowest around 11:30. Wall Street and wire houses selling continued in the afternoon, and the demand was barely sufficient to hold prices. At the close the list showed a net loss of about 30 points. Experts for the day of 18,000 bales brought the total for the week thus far to 45,000 bales, against 88,000 bales for the corresponding period last year.

Western Maryland by a Run

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Miss O. D. Brown Quits Job

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 9.—Miss Olivia D. Brown, of Philadelphia, sister of Judge Charles Brown, has resigned as a clerk in the State Banking Department after seven years service. She had charge of important work under ex-Commissioner William H. Smith.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Trading Continues Light—Americans Are More Cheerful

LONDON, May 9.—The Stock Exchange markets had a subdued appearance today. Trading continued light. While the undertone of the gilt-edged section was firm, changes in prices were mixed and narrow. As the result of the payment of the bill for 70 per cent of the "victory" loan it was easier. All bonds were quiet. The revenue of the United Kingdom for the week was £1,022,000. Outstanding Treasury bills were increased £15,680,000. Proceeds from the war loan were £34,000,000, and from the loan obtained in the United States £10,000,000. The expenditure was £184,564,000. Americans were cheerful. Canadian Pacific was inactive and Grand Trunk heavy. Less favorable earnings caused Argentine rails to drop. Some lines were dull. The election triumph of the national Government made Australian securities strong. Mines and oils were hard. A £3,000,000 New South Wales 3 1/2 per cent loan is being underwritten at 98.

Financial Briefs

The stock list committee of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange has today admitted to the unlisted department of the exchange the Provident Life and Trust Company stock allotment warrants. The commission has been fixed on these warrants at 25 cents per share.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ticonderoga Trust Company the retiring board of directors was re-elected. No successor was chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Michael McKeever.

A. R. Whaley, vice president in charge of operation of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company since February 1, 1912, is to retire on May 31. Mr. Whaley's duties will be assumed by other officers of the company.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the General Electric Company the board was increased from thirteen to fourteen members. A. W. Burchard, of New York, being elected as the additional member. Other directors were re-elected.

The New York Submarine gained \$6,946,000 from the bank yesterday, reducing the cash net loss since Friday to \$2,332,000.

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COLD WEATHER RETARDS COUNTRY'S VEGETATION

Government Report Says Week Was Best of Season in Pacific States

WASHINGTON, May 9.—The Government weekly weather report says: Vegetation was retarded in nearly all sections of the country by cold weather, although it was the best week of the season in the North Pacific States. In the southern States much needed rains refreshed vegetation, but the cold prevailed here as elsewhere. Florida alone reporting growth and general improvement. Generally throughout the corn belt and the lake region work was nearly at a standstill. Conditions were more favorable in eastern and southern States and in the spring wheat region, and in these sections good progress was made. Cool weather checked the growth of winter grains to some extent, but, together with wet weather, it was favorable for good stand, and there was general improvement in nearly all sections of the country.

This was quite marked in eastern and south-central Kansas, where plants were reported standing well. In other sections of that State, where drought was so persistent, the outlook is poor. Plowing up of poor fields continues, but where there was a good stand the winter wheat condition has improved decidedly during the last few weeks.

While conditions were mostly unfavorable for germination and the best growth in the spring wheat region, cool weather was favorable for plowing and seeding. Seeding of spring wheat was nearly completed as far north as South Dakota, and that which is up in that State, as well as in Nebraska, is looking well, although growing slowly. Seeding progressed rapidly in northern Minnesota and was nearing completion on high ground.

While cool weather unfavorably affected the cotton belt, generous rains fell in eastern Texas, where greatly needed, and favorably affected the cotton plant. Good stands are assured by rains in Georgia and in South Carolina. Planting was delayed somewhat by rainy weather in North Carolina, but was nearly finished in other eastern cotton belt districts.

SECURITIES AT AUCTION

Several small price changes were recorded by local bank and trust company stocks at the security auction sale held by Barnes & Lofland today. The Bank of North America shares changed hands at 258, an advance of 1 point, and the Guarantee Trust Company was up 2 points to 158. National Bank of Germantown and the Fourth Street National sold lower. Note of Johns Canyon for \$250, dated November 20, 1913, payable one year after date, with interest at 6 per cent.

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Advertisement for 'Rings for the Little Finger' by S. Kind & Sons, 1110 Chestnut St. Features an illustration of a woman's hand wearing a ring and text describing the rings' popularity and quality.

Large advertisement for 'Famous Hill-Climb of HUDSON SUPER-SIX'. Features a large illustration of a car climbing a steep hill. Text describes the car's performance, listing models like Phaeton, Cabriolet, Touring Sedan, Speedster, Limousine, and Town Car with their prices. Includes the slogan 'All-Round Ruler' and the company name 'GOMERY-SCHWARTZ MOTOR CAR CO. 253-255 NORTH BROAD STREET PHILADELPHIA, PA.'