## AUSTRIAN CABINET QUITS; PLANS FOR RUSSIAN SEPARATE PEACE PREPARED

possible successor to Bethmann-Hollweg, predicts that the Allies will be ready to talk peace seriously by autumn.

The international Socialist peace conference at Stockholm, called for early next month, and delegates to which are already beginning to arrive at the Swedish capital, may lead to interesting developments. Dutch and Scandinavian Socialists at the conference are said to be collecting written statements of peace terms of the belligerent nations, obtained by Socialists of these countries. These terms will be announced at the conference.

#### TISZA CABINET FALLS; PEACE OFFER PLANNED

AMSTERDAM, May 22. sording to Budapest disputches received here today by the Central News,

There have been frequent rumors of late of friction in the Hungarian Cabinet, responding to the unrest in Hungary and progress of the peace movement. Count Taxa has been Privy Councillor and president of the Council, as the Hungarian Cabinet is called, since 1913.

inet is called, since 1913.

That Austria-Hungary intends to make a peace offer to Russia was indicated by advices received here today. This offer was discussed at the recent conference of Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Foreism Minister, and German officials at German Great Headquarters, it was said. According to the prevailing belief in Vienna, Emperor Charles is disposed to offer 'zensrous terms' to the Russians, including the freedom of the Pardanelles and the restoration of Poland.

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Peace talk is becoming more and more mulstent in the Central Empires and vir-tually all over Europe autside of England. France and Italy.

Socialists in the Scandinavian countries are working with might and main and their Influence is not going entirely to waste,

It is reported from Rome that the Ger-

man allies made a secret peace offer to the Allies and that it was rejected. The peace movement is gaining strength in Turkey as well as the Balkan countries, and certain factions of the Young Turk party are becoming very active in

that direction Count Hertling, the Bayarian Fremler, is again in the peace limelight. He predicts that "the statesmen of the Entents countries will see the error of their ways by autumn

and be ready to talk peace seriously The Bavarian Premier indicates his belief that the Allies will modify their peace

Emil Zimmermann, editor of the Local Anzeiger, of Berlin, is contending that Doc-tor von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German Chancellor, made a misleading statement to the Reichstag when he said that he was in complete accord with the high command of the army. In political matters, says the Lokal Angelger, the Chancellor is responsi-ble, but in military affairs he has to give formal consent to anything Field Marshal von Hindenburg says, whether he approves of it or not. The intimation is that the German chief of staff is not backing the

The Cologne Gazette is publishing an appeal for signatures to a petition demand-ing a "Hindenburg peace" According to this newspaper the Germans are not fight-ing a war of widespread conquest, but must annex Belgium for their own good.

#### BERLIN RENEWS PLOTS FOR GERMAN PEACE

LONDON, May 23. Germany is actively peace-plotting again, after a lull in propaganda efforts to this end consequent upon initial repulse of efforts to coax Russia into a separate peace com

end of the war-on Germany's own terms -were revealed in dispatches received to-day from half a dozen European cities. Coming at a time when Premier Ribot's firm and unyielding statement of France's

to America's position, there seemed scant likelihood of any headway in the German

France's formula for peace, as outling by Ribot, was 'no forced annexations and no contributions," and "restitution and reparation" as well.

Amaterdam reported, as against this, the growth of a "Hindenburg peace" plan in Germany, presumably fostered by the Junkerities, urging "no annexations and no indemnities" as a catch phrise, but paradoxically, in the same connection, urging retention of French and Relgian iron districts and the Austrian coast. and the Austrian coast.

From Rome came reports of secret peace feelers" sent forth by Central Powers missaries to all its representatives in Swit-

Other Holland advices detailed "gener ous terms" which, it was said, Austria-Hungary was about to offer Russia. These terms, it was reported, were for free passage to Russia through the Dardanelles, reestablishment of Poland as an autonomous unit and possibly a loan to the new Rusian regime.

In the meantime the German-agitated Socialist peace conference at Stockholm is be ing actively boomed by the Central Powers

Universal approbation was expressed here today of Premier Ribot's speech as epi-termising the Allied aims and clearing up-for Russia's benefit—some of the questions ced in the "no annexations and no odemnities" phrase. Ribot made it clear that a restoration of

Alsace and Lorraine was not "annexation nd that there was a sharp difference be tween "reparation" which Germany mus make for her wanton destruction in France and Belgium and "indemnities."

#### SOCIALISTS TO NAME NATION'S PEACE TERMS

By ARTHUR E. MANN

STOCKHOLM, May 21. Delegates already here in advance of he international Socialist peace conference representative Socialists from helligeren their lives, when they return home, as the price of their attendance on the meeting So far only delegates from Scandinavian nations and Bulgaria and Austria are here Pails conferences are being held between

being made to coa's attendance of English

and French delegates. The Socialista would also like to know exactly how the American telegates will stand at the meeting. Secretary Camille Huysman, of the International Socialist Bureau, cabled Morris Hillquit chairman of the American dele-gation, today seeking light in advance on the American feeling. In the meantime Dutch and Scandinavian Socialist leaders said they were obtaining written peace terms of all belligerent nations—from their respective Socialist delegates—these terms

to be announced at the conference. Lack of information from German and Russian delegates as to the date of their arrival here still prevented any announce-ment today of the exact date of the meeting. The fact that Allied Governments have driven home repeatedly that the Stockhols meeting was called by German Socialists and that German interests would dominate the sessions, led some neutral delegates aims in the war were prominently displayed the sessions led some neutral delegates here, as well as additional statements as privately to express the belief today that

attendance of Allied Socialists was fraught with considerable more to these secondary

#### RIBOT INSISTS ALSACE MUST BE FRENCH AGAIN

PARIS, May 23 .- Premier Ribot, in a cussion of the Russian situation in the hamber of Deputies, said it was necessary to combat dangerous sophisms which nought to freat the restoration of "our lost provinces" as being a question of annexation, and which also confused the on of indemnities for ravages in the

"This indemnity is a contribution which is inflicted as a fine for wrong done," said the Fremier. "It is a requirement which both law and equity demand. The same reparation should be required for all small nations which have been crushed, for Bel-gium, Serbia. Rumania and Montenegro.

"No conquests and no covetousness—that, in substance, is what the Russian Government declares. France replies that could not oppress any nationality, even that of its enemies. It will call to its aid to defend the small nations, not vengeance, but justice.

peace. We do not wish military despot-isms to endure which can destroy this peace when it is once made. If the Ger-man people comprehended this it would take peace easier to attain. That is the of Russia at the moment when the United States is making preparations to inter the war. Now let Russia make her offensive and we will be able to talk of peace, not in an equivocal manner, but openly, and this peace, if they do not ask it of us, we will impose."

M Ribot prefaced his reference to Rus-a by asking for a postponement of the debate, "because of conversations to which the French Government has been invited y the Russian Government.

"We are following the development of he Russian revolution with the utmost care and sympathy, he continued. "The emient and courageous statesmen of Russia were surrounded for a time by influences which rendered their action difficult, but the men of intelligence, who now have taken hand the Russian Government, have de declarations which give us complete tisfaction. They say that they wish a long Government, and they desire above nil to establish in the arms that severe discipline which is an indispensable condi-tion of the existence of the Russian nation." He created intense interest by reading a telegram received from the Russian Minis-

er of Foreign Affairs, which said: sia will never forget the elation which France entered the war on our side and will always remember that at the moment of the precent crisis in Russia's existence it was the spiendid effort of the French people which attracted the enemy masses toward the west and thus permitted our Russian forces to gain time for reorganization. Long-continued cheers greeted the reading of this telegram, after which the Premier

"I accept for my country these words f confidence and gratitude. Yes, we march and in hand with Russia, ever faithful. Yes, at this moment France retains on her front all those German hordes gathered from the Russlan front, permitting Russia to recover herself and prepare that constermty of arms which will demonstrate that there is no question of a separate

As to the conditions of that peace the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs has himself exposed the sophisms whereby Ger-many's formula of no annexation is made aces she tore from France. She annexed these provinces, always French until yes-terday. There stands Germany, the cul-prit guilty of annexation. We ask simply for restitution of what belongs to us and not for annexation.

#### "REPUBLIC OF PEACE" LVOFF'S PREDICTION

NEW YORK, May 23. Fredicting that a republic of peace will rise in Bussia after the war, Premier Lyoff, of the provisional Government, today sent a message to the American people, through

Isane F. Marconson, representative of Everybody's Magazine.

"The newest of democracies greets Amerwith peculiar fervor, because it that the American people can readily under stand what the great Russian revolution means," said Lvoff. "Autocracy in Rus-sia is dead forever. In its stead will soon rise a republic of peace.

We wish America to realize thoroughly that there can be but one result of the great upbeaval, and that result a real democracy modeled along the lines of the American republic, creating a government by and for the whole people. It will mean justice and opportunity to everybody. "The name Russia once meant darkness

and oppression. It will now mean hight and freedom. The new Russia will be the frankest and most liberal of republics. In new Russia the Jew and Gentile are herobare.

"We want America to know that Russin will continue the war to a peace dictated by Aliled victory. The revolution, which wiped out the pro-derman conspiracies against national life, insures the result. of peace be reared.

"In that struggle we are proud to America as an ally. Russia looks to Amer-ica for fresh bonds and new, lasting com-

#### U. S. PLANS TO REPLY TO RUSSIAN PEACE STAND

WASHINGTON, May 23. The United States Government plans be-fore long to make a statement of its at-titude toward the Russian soldiers' and workmen's slegan of 'me annexation and no indomnities." This statement, while not yet revealed, will doubtless take a form similar to that of French Fremier Ribet's

statement yesterday in Paris.

This apparently means, judging from Bibot's remarks, that the United States favors the return of Alsace-Lorraine to France and restoration and indemnities for the small nations, including Belgium, which

Germany has ruthlessly overrun.

The American statement will be an in-dividual pronouncement of position, though will be in accord with the general ideas America's Allies This states America's views probably will include a more definite and concrete announcement America's war aims than anothing to

#### DROWNING OF SOLDIER DECLARED ACCIDENTAL

Finding of Coroner's Jury in Inquest Into Death of Oscar S.

towar S. Forestrom, the twenty-three sar-old guardsman, of Company C, Sixth Petinsylvania Infantry, whose body was found in the Delaware River has Saturday. quest into his death today, to have been cidentally drowned

Forsatrom, who had been missing from is home at 1429 North Willington street, for more than a week before his body was recovered, was believed by his father, Charles G. Forsstrom, to have been the victim of foul play. At the inquest today, Mr. Forestrom again declared that he knew of no reason that would prompt his son end his life, but said that he believe that he had met his death as a result of

Samuel S. Watkins, Lamott, Pa., was absolved from all blame in the death of fifteen-year-old Peter Vattime, 1128 Carpenter street, by the coroner's jury. automobile driven by Watkins on the after-noon of May 16 struck and killed the boy near St. Luke's Hospital. Testimony at the inquest showed that Wati to way to blame for the accident

### PRIESTS BEQUESTS VALID

Decision Insures \$35,000 for Charities From Schuylkill Haven Pastor

POTTSVILLE, Pa., May 21.-Judge Wil-Assailant helm, presiding in the Orphans' Court, decided that the will of the Rev. J. P. Mullowny, former pastor of St. Ambrose's Catholic Church, at Schuyfkill Havon, in legal. This will insure Carrollo charitable institutions throughout the State more than \$25,000 from the estate of the priest, who scale: weaHire: D was objected on the part of relatives.

that the will was illegal because it was witnessed by members of St. Althrose's parish and the latter was a beneficiary under the will

TENNESSEE MOB, QUIET, FREES NEGRO SUSPECT

Criminal Prosecutions Improbable Following Burning of Young Girl's

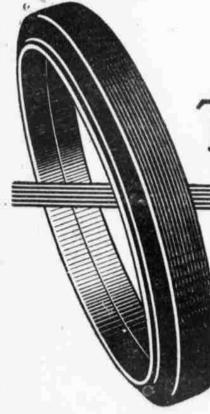
MEMPHIS, May 23.—The mob spirit thich ruled this district vesterday died down overnight. Where yesterday a mob estimated at more than 7000 persons cheered as Ell Person, a negro, was burned at the stake, the situation today was quiet. Dewitt (Dummy) Ford and Dan Armstrong, both negroes, and implicated in a statement by Person as being connected with the killing and assault of fifteen-yearold Antolnette Rappal, were set free early Both had been in custody of the his cabin.

mob since yesterday afternoon. Reputable white citizens of the district where the Rappal girl was murdered furnished alibis for the blacks. Thus far no action has been taken by

State, county or city authorities to place the blame for the lynching of Person. The May Grand Jury of Shelby County was sworn in, but no mention of the mob rule was made. Neither Hunter Wilson, County Prosecutor, nor Sheriff Mike Tate would make a statement as to possible action ction against any members of the mob County officials said no criminal action could be taken against either Ford or Arm

strong. When the mob freed Ford, who is deaf When the mon freed Ford, who is deaf and dumb, he ran into the county jail build-ing and by gestures asked to be placed in jail for sufekeeping. He was assured that he would not be harmed and was sent to





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