



KAISER FORCED OFF THRONE AS PEOPLE REALIZE DEFEAT; ALLIES LOOKING FOR PEACE

Dream of World Dominion That Started War Is Forever Gone

PARIS, November 9. --- 6:15 P.M. --- The abdication of Emperor William is officially announced from Basel.

London, Nov. 9.—A German wireless message received in London this afternoon states:

"The German Imperial Chancellor, Prince Max of Baden, has issued the following decree:

"The Kaiser and King has decided to renounce the throne. The Imperial Chancellor will remain in office until the questions connected with the abdication of the Kaiser, the renouncing by the Crown Prince of the throne of the German empire and of Prussia and the setting up of a regency have been settled.

"For the regency he intends to appoint Deputy Ebert as imperial chancellor and he proposes that a bill shall be brought in for the establishment of a law providing for the immediate promulgation of general suffrage and for a constitutional German national assembly, which will settle finally the future of form of government of the German nation and of those peoples which might be desirous of coming within the empire.

"Berlin, November 9, 1918."

"The Imperial Chancellor."

A dream of world dominion obsessed the mind of Emperor William plunged the world into war. Upon him and the tremendous military engine of destruction which he was the embodiment, the exponent and the leader rests the responsibility of deliberately planning and bring about the greatest conflict the world has ever seen.

It did not matter to the world that the Emperor's personal share in the swift events immediately preceding the war had been obscured. The world convicted him of organizing, directing and maintaining at the top notch of efficiency the great German military machine. It remembered that he signed the order for the German mobilization. It remembered that he stood sponsor for the terrorism and brigandage which, under the guise of warfare ravaged Belgium, depopulated and outraged Serbia and sent the Lusitania with her freight of women and children to a grave in the Atlantic.

Millions Kill Edith Cavell Civilization will never forget that it was the minions of the Emperor who officially shot to death Edith Cavell, the English girl who befriended the Belgians in Brussels. Against these his cry "I did not will the war" availed as nothing. Before the bar of humanity, William was adjudged guilty of the greatest crime since the crucifixion. In him humanity saw the last of the autocrats, the final Caesar. Assertions that he was a heart peaceful, so persistently circulated for years as to give him the stamp of German propaganda, became branded as certainly false. He who had long proclaimed himself the prince of peace stood revealed as humanity's scourge, and against him all that he represented rose as the new world of democracy and freedom. Many doubt whether William was entirely sane. He said repeatedly "I possessed a divine mandate to rule that the Almighty was his 'conditional and avowed ally.' It is not entirely clear whether such outbursts were the product of reverent egotism and an effort to impress his subjects with the idea of reverent and unquestioning submission. His speeches to his armies in which he asserted he and they were "instruments of divine judgment upon Germany's enemies" were regarded by many outside of Germany as pieces of rhetoric, intended only to deceive his own people.

Claim Affinity With God William's claim to close affinity with God was the burden of dozens

ALLIES' LEADER, HIS "RIGHT HAND MAN" AND GERMAN PEACE ENVOYS



Admiral Paul von Hintze, former secretary of foreign affairs, and General H. K. A. von Winterfeldt, with General E. G. W. von Gruenell, Germany's military delegate to the Hague Peace Conference, and Vice-Admiral Meurer were the officials named by Germany to obtain from Marshal Foch the armistice terms prepared by the Allies. General Fayolle, known as General Foch's "right hand man," played an important role at the meeting with the German bearers of the white flag.



MARSHAL FOCH Greatest hero of the war; commander-in-chief of the Allies and Americans.

INVADING ARMY TO BE PUSHED OUT OF FRANCE BY NIGHT

While the German government is considering the Allied armistice terms, the British, French and American armies are carrying on successfully the task of freeing French soil from the invader. On the north the British have captured the fortress of Maubeuge and driven the Germans back into Belgium in the region between Maubeuge and Mons. Along the Scheidt in Belgium, where the British hold part of Tournai, Field Marshal

Haig's men have crossed the river on a nine-mile front north of Tournai. General Petain's armies, who hold the center of the Allied advance continue their march toward the Belgian frontier south of Maubeuge. The French have driven the Germans from nearly all the natural defenses west of the Franco-Belgian border and if their advance maintains the pace of the last few days, the French should reach the border at some point before nightfall. Reports from Germany are that the revolutionary movements continue to spread, especially in the northwest.

ASH COLLECTION CONTRACT TO BE LET BY THE CITY

Hassler Says Present System Satisfactory Although Slow

Council will be asked in a week or two to take action to provide for ash collections next year, Commissioner S. F. Hassler said to-day. The present agreement with a private company ends December 31 and a contract must be arranged or some other method decided upon to prevent a repetition of the conditions which existed in the city last winter. According to Dr. Hassler bids for collection of ashes and refuse will be asked before the end of the present month. The present arrangement is satisfactory.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Unsettled, probably occasional light rains this afternoon, tonight and Sunday; colder Sunday.

GERMAN'S ANSWER TO ARMISTICE IS TO ARRIVE SOON

Heavy Censorship Placed On Terms of Armistice by All Countries

FRENCH EXPECT GERMANY TO SURRENDER BEFORE HOUR SET

Paris, Nov. 9.—5.45 A. M.—Germany will capitulate between now and Monday. French opinion is unanimous in this view.

Germany's answer to the Allied terms for an armistice is not expected to reach Marshal Foch's headquarters until the middle of this (Saturday) afternoon, at the very earliest. The courier left for Spa, the German headquarters immediately after the terms were delivered and the enemy had been given 72 hours in which to send his answer.

Details of Armistice Withheld

Few details of the terms have been divulged, nor have any of the dramatic elements of the scene at the Allied commander-in-chief's headquarters been reported. Nothing but the briefest dispatches have told of an event the consequences of which will affect the whole subsequent history of civilization. Bavaria has been declared a republic and the Wittelsbach dynasty, headed by King Ludwig III, is deposed. Emperor William's abdication has been demanded by the Socialists, but has been met with refusal from the emperor who fears to quit office at such a critical juncture in the history of Germany. The revolution is seemingly rapidly spreading through the great industrial and maritime cities of Prussia, Essen, the site of the great Krupp munition works, being the latest place reported to be disaffected.

Prince Henry of Prussia, the emperor's brother, who visited America in 1902 has fled from Kiel under fire from mutinous guards. Prince Max, of Baden, the German chancellor, is reported to have resigned, but there has been no acceptance of his resignation. Prince Max, it is indicated, to-day will communicate the terms of the armistice to a committee of Reichstag party leaders. Virtually all the North Sea coast and part of the Baltic littoral now is in the hands of the revolutionists.

Entire German Empire in Peril

Not only has the German army been crushed in the main of war, but the whole structure of the German empire seems about to be engulfed. Conditions in Austria apparently are in a wildly chaotic condition. Bolshevik resistance in Eastern Siberia seems to be broken, L'Esto announces.

Paris, Nov. 9.—Germany's armistice delegates were received by Marshal Foch yesterday morning at nine o'clock in a railroad car, in which the commander-in-chief of the Allied forces has his headquarters according to the Petit Journal. When the Germans' credentials had been opened and verified, Mathias Erzberger, leader of the enemy delegation, speaking in French, announced that the German government had been advised by President Wilson that Marshal Foch was qualified to communicate to them the Allies' conditions and had appointed them plenipotentiaries to take cognizance of the terms and eventually sign an armistice.

Realize German Defeat

Marshal Foch then made the terms in a loud voice, dwelling upon each word. The Germans were prepared by semi-official communications for the stipulations, as a whole, but hearing set forth in detail the concrete demands seemed to bring to them for the first time full realization of the extent of the German defeat. They made a few observations, merely pointing out material difficulties standing in the way of carrying out some quite secondary clauses. Then Erzberger asked for a suspension of hostilities in the interests of humanity. This request Marshal Foch flatly refused.

Foch Advises Clemenceau

The delegates, having obtained permission to send a courier to Spa and communicate with that place by wireless, withdrew. Marshal Foch immediately wrote an account of the proceedings and sent them by an aid to Premier Clemenceau, who received them at noon. The German delegates are lodged in a country mansion at Rethondes, six miles east of Compiègne and thirty miles from Marshal Foch's headquarters. With the commander in chief at the time of the interview were Major General Maximime Weygand, his assistant; and Vice-

RESIGNATION OF GERMAN MINISTERS IS ANNOUNCED

London, Nov. 9.—The resignation of the German ministers of the interior, instruction, agriculture and finance are reported in a telegram received from Berlin. The Prussian food controller again was requested to be relieved from office and the resignation of the Prussian minister of public works has been in the hands of the cabinet for some time.

BERLIN BANK STOPS ALL PAYMENTS DURING EXCITEMENT

London, Nov. 9.—Another dispatch from Amsterdam says that owing to the rush on the banks in Berlin these institutions have stopped payment.

ALLIED FIRE UNCHECKED; ARMISTICE IS HELD UP

London, Nov. 9.—The British Press Bureau issued the following announcement this afternoon: "Owing to the heavy German barrage and machine gun fire on the battle front the passage of the courier from Marshal Foch's headquarters to Spa was so delayed that he is not expected to reach German headquarters until this afternoon. Consequently it is unlikely that any decision in regard to the armistice will be reached to-day."

ALL RIGHTS TO THRONE ARE RENOUNCED BY FAMILY

London, Nov. 9.—A telegram received from Copenhagen from Brunswick by way of Berlin asserts that Emperor William's son-in-law, the Duke of Brunswick and his successor, have abdicated. London, Nov. 9.—The reigning duke of Brunswick whose abdication is announced in a telegram from Brunswick by way of Berlin is Ernest Augustus, a son of the Duke of Cumberland. On May 24, 1913, he married Princess Victoria Louisa the only daughter of Emperor William. They have three sons, the eldest, Ernest Augustus, whose right to the throne also has been renounced, being born March 18, 1914.

FRENCH ARMIES FIGHTING WITH UNDIMISHED VIGOR

With the French Armies in France, Nov. 9.—The progress of the French was maintained with undiminished speed. Nothing but the prompt signing of the armistice will prevent the Allies from entirely clearing French territory of enemy troops before the peace negotiations begin. Fires are burning in the rear of the German lines all along the front. This indicates that whatever may be the outcome of the armistice negotiations a further important retirement of the German forces may be expected.

REVOLUTION IS SPREADING ALL OVER GERMAN EMPIRE

London, Nov. 9.—It is reported from Amsterdam that a revolution now is spreading all over western Germany. It is reported to have reached Cologne.