

BELGIUM REFUSES TO MAKE CHARGE AGAINST KAISER

Delegates Declare Such Action Should Be Taken by Commission

By Associated Press

Paris, April 17.—The Belgian delegation to the Peace Conference yesterday informed the correspondent that Belgium had not been officially requested by the Council of Four to bring the former German emperor to trial, and that the Belgian government would feel obliged to decline to take the step, even if there were any request for such action.

The Belgian delegates hold that any action should be taken by a commission representing all the associated powers. The official Belgian view, it was said, is that the former emperor cannot be arraigned for declaring war or violating the neutrality of Belgium, or for any act preceding or coincident with the declaration of war.

Does Not Seek Revenge

"If the commission desires to arraign Gen. Baron Von Manteuffel for the sacking of Louvain, General Von Schroeder for the murder of Captain Fryatt, and General Von Sauberberg for the execution of Miss Edith Cavell, all the necessary documents will be forthcoming," said the general secretary of the delegation. "But Belgium does not seek revenge. It wants only justice. It would be small satisfaction to lock up the Kaiser for a few months in the Saint Gilles prison, and those who have reported that such revenge has been offered Belgium as a solace for her wrongs have sadly misunderstood the Belgian character, if they thought it would be acceptable."

The only case in which the personal responsibility of the ex-emperor for a criminal act committed in Belgium could be established beyond doubt is in the atrocities attending the deportations of civilians and compelling them to do forced labor in Germany. In this case his responsibility is unquestioned."

Hughes Denies He Is Retained by N. Y. Traction Interests

Washington, April 17.—Charles E. Hughes, in a statement here, denied flatly that he had been retained by New York traction interests or had received money from them, as had been asserted in testimony before a New York legislative inquiry.

"I have read the preposterous story published in the report of the Albany hearing," said Mr. Hughes, "that I had been paid \$50,000 by the traction interests to appear at the legislative hearing on the Carson-Martin bill. There is not a word of truth in it. I have not been retained by the traction interests and I have not received a dollar from them."

British Flyer Plans Start of Ocean Flight Tomorrow, if Weather Is Favorable

East Church, England, April 17.—Major J. C. P. Wood, the British aviator, who is attempting a trans-Atlantic flight from Ireland, announced his intention this morning of flying to Limerick this afternoon. If the present improved weather conditions continue, he said, he would start his flight across the Atlantic tomorrow.

HOG CHOLERA IS TO BE BATTLED

Loss of \$655,000 a Year in Pennsylvania Last Year Causes War



Drastic action by Secretary of Agriculture, Frederick Rasmussen and State Veterinarian C. J. Marshall, will be undertaken in the next ten days to check the spread of hog cholera which has appeared in virulent form in several parts of the State and which last year caused a loss of \$655,000 to the hog raisers of Pennsylvania at the very time that there was a world wide demand for fats and hog products. The campaign will be mainly of an educational nature and in addition to agents of the State, the co-operation of National authorities, county farm bureau men, all veterinarians, farmers, hog raisers and shippers will be enlisted.

"At the outset of this year we had 1,291,000 hogs in Pennsylvania according to National authorities and last year we lost 24,857 from hog cholera, according to Washington authorities. If that is so we have got to move quickly in Pennsylvania," said the secretary. "If we grant that the Federal estimate is correct that means we lost \$655,000 in a year from a preventable disease. The knowledge of how to control hog cholera is at hand. The State will be called upon to help."

If necessary State Veterinarian Marshall will establish quarantine to prevent shipments and even public hog sales until the disease is under control. The main centers are Cumberland and Lehigh valleys, the counties where the disease is reported being Adams, Berks, Bucks, Carbon, Chester, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Montgomery, Monroe, Northampton, Schuylkill and York with some in Philadelphia. The territory contains more than a third of the hogs in the whole State.

It is the opinion of men at the Capitol who have been studying the situation, that a good percentage of the infection comes from hogs shipped of public sales without being examined, recognized as an old source of spreading the disease, but difficult to handle because of the lack of co-operation from the public and even from farmers who buy at such sales.

A series of conferences on the subject will be held and it is hoped by active assistance from farm bureaus and veterinarians to get the movement for precaution well spread about.

D. L. and W. Shopmen Return to Their Jobs; Demands Are Satisfied

By Associated Press
Scranton, Pa., April 17.—The three thousand shop employees of the D. L. and W. railroad, who have been on strike for the past few days, accepted the terms of the company and returned to work. In the offer made the men by the company they practically win a victory for the efficiency expert objected to will be removed and there will be no speeding up of work. Word was sent out over the entire system calling off the sympathetic strikes declared in other cities.

GAMBLERS' KING DEAD
St. Louis, April 17.—Henry "Kid" Becker, known as the "King of St. Louis Gamblers," who was shot by highwaymen, died in a hospital here as a result of the wound. Becker was 26 years old, and from boyhood followed the races. It is said he had won and lost several fortunes. He recently paid a fine of \$5,000 for operating a gambling house in Madison county, Illinois. He is said to have left a large estate.

POSTPONE STRIKE 48 HOURS AT THE NEW YORK PORT

'Armistice' Follows Statement Issued by Government Agencies

By Associated Press

New York, April 17.—A 48-hour "armistice" postponing the general strike of New York harbor workers which had been called for 6 o'clock this morning was agreed upon last night by officials of the Marine Workers' Affiliation at a conference with James L. Hughes, Federal mediator.

The decision to postpone the strike followed a statement by Mr. Hughes that the War Department, the Navy Department and the United States Shipping Board "would not tolerate a strike." He said he was speaking for William B. Wilson, secretary of labor.

Before the postponement of the strike was agreed to, Paul Bonynge, counsel for the Boat Owners' Association, had issued a statement declaring that the general strike order was a "gigantic bluff" and predicting that the strike, if called, would fall utterly to tie up the harbor.

Wife Tells How She Trapped Husband

New York, April 17.—In affidavits filed yesterday before Justice Mulien in the Supreme Court settlement of her action for divorce, Mrs. Bella Wainard declared that early last March she found among the effects of her husband, Maurice, who is a furrier at 1418 Broadway, a letter from a Miss Helma, a manicurist at the Hotel McAlpin. This letter, Mrs. Wainard alleges, contained a demand for money.

"I wrote to the woman," said Mrs. Wainard, "signing my husband's name, and when she came to the house I impersonated a maid, asking her what she wanted. She said she was a close friend of my husband, and that he had told her he was single. She said also that he had given money and a set of furs to her. These she returned to me when she found that my husband's statements to her were false."



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