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GERMAN FEELING TOWARD PEACE TREATY SHOWS FAVORING SIGNS; RUMORS EXCITE LONDON PEOPLE

Ruling Wing In Better Temper

British Hold R-34 From Making Trip to This Country

SPARTACANS AT WEIMAR QUIET

German feeling toward the Peace Treaty appears to be taking a more favorable trend. Although the peace delegation, headed by Count Von Brockdorff-Rantzau, is represented as decidedly opposed to acceptance of the revised allied terms, the latest dispatches from Weimar, where the German cabinet and national assembly are considering the treaty, reflect a different viewpoint.

The majority Socialists, the present dominant political force in the German republic, are declared in these dispatches to be more favorably inclined toward the Treaty than at first. The Clericals and the Democrats of the Left Wing are in opposition to the Treaty signed and the suspense ended.

Rumors Excite London In the meantime however, exciting rumors are printed in London newspapers, it being said that the British grand fleet is prepared to sail in three days for German waters, and that British dirigibles are ready near the German coast, if not over German soil.

Dirigible R-34, which the British were intending to send on a trans-Atlantic voyage late this week, is said by one report to be over the Baltic, armed with bombs and machine guns and ready for action. Her sister craft, the R-33, is reported to have left last night on a cruise which will include the Kiel canal. One thing is definitely known: that the R-34 will not start on her projected trip for America until the German situation is cleared up.

Only minor affairs are being taken up by the minor officials of the Peace Conference in the absence of President Wilson in Belgium. Efforts being made to adjust the railway communications between Piume and Trieste and Vienna to the satisfaction of Italy, Jugo-Slavia and Czechoslovakia. This problem seems quite different and may be left over to be considered by the League of Nations.

The attempt of Spartacan and Communist adherents to stir up riotous conditions at Weimar has been definitely defeated, as no disorders there have been reported since Wednesday morning's futile attempt to break into the castle where the cabinet members are quartered.

Demonstrations by French sailors at Brest on Tuesday night and Wednesday seem to have died down, although a recrudescence of the trouble was feared there according to last reports.

Harbor Commission Meets The conference for commission of harbor and waterways endeavoring to arrange for the regulation of railroads connecting Piume and Trieste with Vienna, so that conditions will be satisfactory to Italy, Jugo-Slavia and Czechoslovakia. Some agreement is desirable before the Austrian treaty is completed but the indications are that the matter will be deferred for decision by the League of Nations.

Most of the railroads in question are owned largely by French capitalists. Italy and the new States want the sections of the railroad in their territory placed under the control of the countries through which they pass.

Deal, England, June 19.—The eight American steamers with cargoes of provisions for Germany which were detained here for a few days have proceeded to German ports. There was a report early to-day that they would be held here pending the signing of the peace treaty.

300,000 GALLONS OF RUM STRANDED IN ST. LOUIS St. Louis, June 19.—Approximately 300,000 gallons of whiskey will be tied up in St. Louis July 1 when the national prohibition law becomes effective as a result of the announcement of railroads that alcoholic beverages would not be transported after that date, distillers announced to-day.

One distiller said he expected to have 100,000 gallons of undelivered whiskey on the first of next month.

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and vicinity: Generally fair to-night and Friday. Slightly warmer to-night. Eastern Pennsylvania: Generally fair to-night and Friday, slightly warmer to-night in south portion. Gentle winds, mostly southwest.

One of Those Things Everybody Talks About--



BUT NO ONE CARES TO INTRODUCE



FAIR WEATHER FORECAST FOR ANNUAL PICNIC

Special Cars Will Gather Up School Children at 8.30 Tomorrow

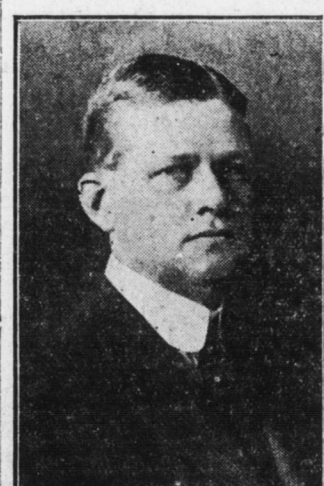
'Fair and cool' weather is predicted by the local forecaster for tomorrow when all school children of Harrisburg and surrounding towns are to be guests of the Telegraph in the big rolling, relaxing picnic at Paxtang Park. If old Jupiter Pluvius has the nerve to drench the community he will be counteracted by a postponement of the event until Saturday, for the program easily can be carried over to the next day.

Owner of Vacant Lot Protects the Light of Westminster Church

Abram Gerber has purchased from Mrs. George W. Rely three properties at 1507-3-11 Green street, which transfer left vacant a lot of about fifteen feet between 507 Green street and the Westminster Presbyterian church. For years Mrs. Rely has refused to sell or build on this particular lot in order to protect the light of the church. Yesterday she made a deed for the vacant piece to the Westminster congregation so that there will be no danger of any future obstruction of the light through a possible building at that location. This lot could have been sold many times, but the owner steadily declined to transfer it to other hands in the interest of the church which would have been seriously inconvenienced by the shutting off the light on one side. Of course the congregation is delighted with Mrs. Rely's generous gift.

RAILROAD VETS' COURT DECREES ATTEND REUNION; BANQUET TONIGHT

Memorial Services Held This Afternoon For Forty-Five Deceased Members



With an attendance of upwards of 500 members the twenty-third annual meeting of the Veteran Employees' Association of the Middle Division opened this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The business session was held in the auditorium of the P. R. R. Y. M. C. A., with Noel W. Smith, general superintendent of the Eastern divisions, presiding. Prayer was offered by Frank H. Gregory, general secretary of the Railroad "Y," who is chaplain of the association. Reports of the officers were presented. General Superintendent Smith, in welcoming the veterans, said:

COURT DECREES DECLARED VOID BY LABOR BODY

American Federation Passes Resolution Telling Toolers to Disregard Them

Atlantic City, N. J., June 19.—The American Federation of Labor in a resolution adopted at its convention here to-day condemning what were declared to be "usurpation by the judiciary" of the government's legislative and executive powers, recommended that organized labor should disregard injunctive decrees of courts on the ground that such decrees violated rights guaranteed under the constitution.

The resolution demanded that judges who exceeded their authority should be promptly impeached. It asserted that "our courts and judges have been disregarding the rights of the people and exercising powers more tyrannical than any assumed by the most tyrannical despot ever known in history." The resolution charged further that the courts had subordinated the legislative and executive departments of the government through their will. The courts were described as "a sinister influence which is sapping the life from our institutions and creating the worst sort of autocracy."

\$100,000 BUILDING PROJECT GOTTEN UNDER WAY HERE

Big Plot in North Front Street Is Sold For Sum of \$30,200

BUILDING TO BE ERECTED

Many Other Permits to Build Are Taken Out by Contractors

Announcement has been made of the sale of J. F. Rohrer & Son, real estate operators, of the property at 1417 North Front street, owned and occupied by George B. Beatty, of the Liberty Realty Company, of this city, at a consideration said to be approximately \$30,000. The property fronts 213 feet on Front street and extends 213 feet back to Lawton street and has erected thereon a frame dwelling and garage.

Up-to-date and modern buildings will be erected on the property to be used as sales offices and for caring for automobiles. At the front will be a storeroom for the sales of accessories, while there will be constructed a waiting room for those waiting for work on their machines. A soda fountain and ice cream parlor will be placed in it. The architecture will be highly creditable. The plans will involve the expenditure of approximately \$100,000, it is stated. The project is backed by Chicago, Pittsburgh and Lancaster men. Building projects, which will cost \$23,500, are reported in permits which were issued at the office of Building Inspector James H. Grove. Two of these were for extensive remodeling work, another for a two-story dwelling, and one for a concrete coal storage cellar.

M. H. Gettys, contractor for H. and J. Presford, was given a permit to remodel the property at 310 Chestnut street. It will be converted into a wholesale notions building at a cost of \$5,000. Mr. Gettys also secured a permit to remodel an old two-story brick building at the northeast corner of Cameron and Berryhill streets, owned by the City Transfer Company. The cost of this improvement will be \$8,000. The Blough Manufacturing Company, with Joseph W. Pomraning as contractor, took out a permit for the construction of a concrete storage bin for coal to be located on the west side of Wyeth street, 150 feet south of Rely street.

Directors of Penn-Harris Re-elect Hotel Officers; Reports Are Gratifying

At a meeting of the directors of the Harrisburg Hotel Company, owners of the Penn-Harris, last evening, E. Z. Wallower, the president, submitted an interesting and detailed report regarding the final completion of the big building and the success which had already been demonstrated in its operation, confirming the predictions of the leaders in the community hotel movement. It was intimated that W. L. Stoddard, architect, has been requested to submit plans for additional room space which the increasing patronage has made necessary. It was anticipated from the beginning that more sleeping rooms would probably be required to meet the needs of the city at some future time, but the hotel company did not expect to have the building enlarged until the present year.

President Wallower was unanimously re-elected president of the company and given a rising vote of thanks for his unselfish and energetic service throughout the period of the building operations and in the supervision of the furnishing and other details incidental to the placing of the hotel in a permanent basis. W. M. Ogelsby was re-elected secretary and treasurer.

As indicating the popularity of the hotel and its management letters are received almost daily from guests who have enjoyed the hospitality of the Penn-Harris. These letters come from organizations which have held their annual meetings at the hotel, the big place of entertainment and others who have made use of the admirable facilities for social entertaining. One of the most interesting features is the attractive coffee room which has met a great need for quick service.

Few Juvenile Offenders Listed For Hearings

Only fifteen juvenile offenders are to be heard in court tomorrow, the smallest number in more than a year. The majority of the boys and girls are charged with truancy and incorrigibility. One youth is held on a charge of stealing \$8 from the drawer in a teacher's desk in school, and in another case two boys are held for taking an automobile and operating it without the consent of the owner.

WORK TO BEGIN SOON Proposals for the Capitol Park improvement work will probably be asked soon after the Legislature adjourns and the appropriations for the work have been authorized, it was said to-day. Commissioner W. H. Lynch said that as soon as the State notifies the city to proceed he will be in a position to begin work in twenty-four hours. The city has appropriated funds for widening both Third and Walnut streets along the park.

CAPITOL IS CLOSELY GUARDED BY POLICE

Threats and Abusive Letters and Possibility of New Bomb Outrages Keep State Officials Alert

The State government proposes to take no chances in guarding officials and property here against cranks of bomb fiends, it was learned to-day. A number of armed plain clothes officers have joined with members of the State Police in keeping a careful watch at the Capitol. Threatening letters have been received by a number of officials, it is said unofficially. While abusive letters are not unusual of late it is said that a number of them have taken a more serious nature probably because of the effect on the weak minded caused by recent bomb outrages. Yesterday particular care

SENATE PASSES SUFFRAGE; NOW SURE OF SUCCESS

House Rushes the Resolution Through on First Reading in an Hour

The joint resolution ratifying the woman's suffrage amendment to the Federal Constitution passed the Senate finally to-day, was rushed over from committee and read the first time. All this took place within one hour. It is the intention of the supporters of the amendment to push it through to the final stage as rapidly as possible. It will be on second reading Monday night. The vote in the Senate on the amendment was 31 to 6 with several other members on record as favoring it. They were not present to vote.

When the resolution was message to the House it was quickly referred to the Judiciary special committee, and Chairman J. R. K. Scott, Philadelphia, called a meeting of the committee to meet at once. It took the committee less than three minutes to act, the resolution being reported out by a vote of 16 to 1. Representative Zimmerman, of Lebanon, was the lone voter in the negative. A few minutes after the committee was handclapping in the Senate when the amendment passed that body.

Thirteen Is Lucky For Women and Suffrage

The National Woman's Party is wearing a smile that will not come off. The quick action in the Senate and House this morning in ratifying the Federal Woman Suffrage Amendment before the session of Legislature ends, prompted the women to arrange a hurried luncheon at the Penn-Harris, where in the nature of another jubilee occasion. Regardless of superstition, thirteen happy women sat down to a table decorated with the organization's colors, purple, white and gold. At the back of each chair was one of the gay pennants and in the center of the table was a beautiful floral decoration also bearing the colors that now stand for woman's freedom.

Those present were Mrs. Lawrence Lewis, of Philadelphia, Chairman of the Ratification Committee; Miss Mary Ingham, State President; also Executive President of the Central Pennsylvania Woman's Association; Mrs. J. Sharon MacDonald, of Harrisburg, Chairman of the Lobby Committee; Mrs. Maxine Chapman, of Harrisburg; Mrs. Robert D. Davenport, of Wilkes-Barre; Miss Kate C. Hofflinger, of Shamokin; Mrs. W. B. Christfield, of Scranton; Miss Olive Beale, of Washington, D. C.

House Passes Senate Bill to Give Back Wire Properties to the Owners

Washington, June 19.—After reconsidering its action extending government fixed telegraph rates for six months, the House to-day without a record vote, passed the amended Senate bill providing for return of the telegraph properties to private control and repealing the law under which those properties and the cable systems were taken over by the president.

Team of the Finest Plays York Coppers

The baseball team of the Harrisburg police force, reinforced by Mayor Keister, Chief Wetzel, Detective Carson, Alderman Murray and others as rooters, left Harrisburg this morning by automobile, for York, where this afternoon the local cops are engaging with the York cops on the baseball diamond. Manager John Hess, former New England League hurler, was expected to go on the mound for the Harrisburg contingent. He still has some cunning shots in his trusty right arm as he demonstrated in a West End League game recently, and promises to make considerable trouble for the White Rose men.

SMITH BILLS TO BEAUTIFY STATE ZONE IN HOUSE

Measures Offered by Dauphin Senator Start on the Way Through Lower House

SPEAKER HOLDS MEMBERS

Spangler Objects When Applications For Leave of Absence Multiply

The Smith bills for the Memorial Bridge and the office building were reported to the House of Representatives this morning just as they passed the Senate. They will be in the hands of the Governor on Wednesday.

The bridge carries \$500,000 for a start of the project and \$1,250,000 is provided for the office building. So many members of the House asked leave of absence at the opening of the morning session that Speaker Spangler objected.

It is setting a very bad precedent for members to seek leaves of absence at this time. The members of this House must stay here the remainder of the session," said he. "I shall certainly not agree to any more leaves unless for extraordinary reasons. There are many bills to be acted upon and we simply have to stay on the job."

Members to-day discovered that the general appropriation bill passed yesterday afternoon contained provisions for payment of the next Senate at the rate of \$2,500 per session, but that the item for the House was at the \$1,500 rate. Chairman McCaig gave assurance that the bill would be corrected in the Senate. The woman suffrage ratification resolution was referred to the committee on judiciary special as soon as received in the House. Chairman John R. K. Scott said the committee would meet at once. Efforts to restore to the workmen's compensation amendment bill the section making a new basis of computation of wages, struck out after the bill came from the Senate, were made in the House by Mr. Fowler, Lackawanna, but after a discussion as to

MOLLA BJURSTEDT HOLDS CHAMPIONSHIP

Philadelphia — In a desperately fought three-set match Miss Molla Bjurstedt, the tennis champion, triumphed over Miss Marie Wagner, of New York, to-day in the fourth round of the singles in the women's national lawn tennis championship tournament, 6-2, 6-8, 6-4. The champion was forced to play her best to register the victory over Miss Wagner.

FIVE SHIPS BRING 16,925 TROOPS

New York—Five transports, carrying 16,925 troops, arrived here to-day from French ports. The vessels were Prinz Frederick Wilhelm, Panaman, South Bend, Kaiserin Augusta Victoria and the Great Northern. The first named ship brought casual companies organized from troops of Pennsylvania and Massachusetts.

LABOR CHIEF PROTESTS CHARGE

Washington—Secretary Wilson, appearing at a joint meeting of the House and Senate Labor committees to-day denied that the Labor Department was being operated solely in the interests of organized labor.

DR. MARTIN HONORED BY UNIVERSITY

Philadelphia — General Leonard Wood addressed graduates of the University of Pennsylvania to-day. Honorary degrees were conferred on General William W. Atterbury and Dr. Edward Martin, head of the State Health Department.

PICKED YANKEES TO GUARD PERSHING

Paris—The regiment of picked men from the American Third Army organized to act as General Pershing's bodyguard on his projected visits to London and Brussels has arrived here from Coblenz and will vie with picked French units at the opening of the Pershing stadium on Sunday.

DREADNAUGHTS ANCHOR OFF NEW YORK

New York—Nine dreadnaughts of the Atlantic fleet, with accompanying destroyers and supply ships, arrived in New York waters to-day and will anchor in the North River until after July 4.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

William Novakowski, and Mary Salinger, Steelton; Joseph Horvath and Fanny Bolozes, Steelton; Ira J. Bushman, Chambersburg, and Bertha E. Crusey, Shippensburg; Richard Behrens, Hummelstown, and Elizabeth R. Hoerner, Londonderry; townships; Albert B. Long, Stanford, Conn., and Goldie M. Trostle, Harrisburg; Harry B. Long and Helen M. Hollar, Harrisburg; Harry E. Wenver and Gladys Krebs, Harrisburg; Russell F. Welsh and Elizabeth E. Ulrich, Harrisburg.