

principles of the American nation, will not be forgotten at this time."

More than a dozen telegrams from labor organizations throughout the states were received protesting against the law preventing aliens from land ownership.

**DOLLAR MARK PATRIOTISM IN GERMANY**

A great sensation was created in Germany recently by an exposure concerning the conduct of Krupps to the navy department. The story is told in the following Berlin cablegram to the New York World:

Deputy Mattheas Erzberger, the leader of the Center party, caused a sensation in the reichstag by producing the figures to prove that the navy department pays Krupp's just twice the amount it costs the concern to produce and that Krupp's profit is 50 per cent higher than it need be if the government had not given the concern a monopoly.

General von Heeringen, the war minister, has tendered his resignation, which is certain to be accepted.

The government was obliged by the reichstag to abandon the war ministry's strange deal for building sites in Berlin. It was defeated also on other points of the military appropriations bill.

The socialists repeated their demand for a thorough investigation of all contracts for armament by a committee with judicial powers on the lines of the United States congressional committees that inquired into the Titanic disaster and the money trust.

Minister of the Interior Delbrueck said that such a committee would be contrary to the constitution, but the government would appoint a commission and invite some members of the reichstag to take part in the investigation.

After further debate the reichstag adopted a resolution introduced by the clerical party to appoint a commission composed of members of the reichstag and experts to investigate all German armament contracts.

The resolution was the outcome of disclosures made by the socialist leader, Dr. Carl Liebknecht, with regard to the relations of the Krupp firm of arms and ammunition manufacturers with officials of the German war ministry for the purpose of gaining information about armament contracts.

Germany is pressing her complaint of the Luneville authorities' course when the Zeppelin dirigible descended in that French town April 3, and will not consider the incident as closed until a satisfactory reply has been received, according to an inspired communication in the Lokal Anzeiger.

The government of the provinces of Alsace-Lorraine was censured by the second chamber of the provincial diet for instructing its representatives in the federal council of the German empire to vote for the military bills increasing the German army, which the members of the diet declared to be contrary to the views of the people of Alsace-Lorraine. The motion was adopted by a majority of 47 against 5.

Following are additional cablegrams carried by the Associated Press:

Berlin, April 21.—The German imperial parliament took a bold step today as a sequel to the disclosures made by Dr. Carl Liebknecht, the socialist leader, in regard to the relations of the Krupp firm with officials of the war office for the purpose of gaining information about contracts.

When the military budget came before the committee today a large majority of the members voted to cut down the appropriations and to drop the posts of commandants at Dres-

den, Darmstadt, Karlsruhe, and Stuttgart. The war minister and other officials protested in the strongest way against the action, both from a political and military standpoint.

The clerical party introduced a resolution requesting the chancellor to appoint a committee to investigate all armament contracts. The report is to be submitted to parliament with recommendations to terminate existing abuses.

The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, the semi-official newspaper, expresses its indignant protest against an attack made on War Minister von Heeringen by the Lokal Anzeiger today in regard to the Krupp incident. The Lokal Anzeiger's reputation for detecting and preparing the way for the impending downfall of statesmen has aroused widespread doubt as to the security of General von Heeringen's position.

Every political topic in Germany is for the moment overshadowed by the "Krupp revelations."

The Vorwärts publishes the text of instruction sent by the Deutsche Munitions and Waffenfabrik to its Paris agent, instructing him to "leave no stone unturned" to persuade some popular French newspaper to publish a statement that France intended to double her orders for machine guns, the object being to persuade the German government to give machine gun orders to the Deutsche Munitions and Waffenfabrik.

Not even the strongly conservative press are able to conceal the fact that the scandal is one of the gravest ever revealed to the reichstag. The Kreuz-Zeitung openly abandons the attempt to defend the Krupps. The Vossische-Zeitung publishes a plain statement from a reichstag member, Herr Heyn:

"We have every reason to grieve and be ashamed that such things are possible in Germany." Under the title, "Sheer Lust of Gold," the Morgenpost publishes one of the angriest articles ever seen outside the socialist press. It says:

"Behind all this fabricated war talk stands either a class of reaction, or, more sickening still, a sheer lust of gold."

It explains how army and navy societies spring up to preach war with the unconcealed financial assistance of the armor plate firms, how files of pensioned officials steadily perambulated through the country preaching war, how the armor firms subsidized German newspapers to conduct crazy campaigns of hatred against France and England, and how these same firms sold weapons to the German government at higher prices than to the nations their press were paid to abuse. It winds up:

"The armaments factories pay 30 per cent dividends, but the German taxpayer is treacherously sold."

The Lokal-Anzeiger devotes half its review of the week to criticism of the Prussian war minister, and intimates that his resignation would be acceptable.

**Paris Withholds Comment**

Paris, April 21.—Dr. Liebknecht's revelations concerning the Krupps' connection with the manufacture of war sentiment in Germany and France has produced a profound sensation in Paris, but comment is rare.

With regard to the assertion that an article on the new mitrailleuses for the French army had been printed in a French journal in order to foment agitation in Germany for an increase of German armaments, the Figaro denies that any such suggestion was ever made to it. Dr. Liebknecht mentioned that journal. It challenges the German socialist to give the date of issue and the precise article wherein he thought he discovered any allusion of the kind.



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