

# HUNS TRY TO SECURE FAVOR OF WORKERS

## Arguments Advanced for International Meeting to Determine Status of Labor, Believed Propaganda.

Paris, May 12.—The council of four at its meeting today decided to refer the German notes on labor and war prisoners to experts for consideration instead of answering them at once as it did with the first two communications from the German delegation.

Count Von Brockdorff-Rantzau, who is the chief of the German peace delegation, in addressing a note to Premier Clemenceau relative to the repatriation of prisoners asks that the details of the transfer be entrusted to commissions, that the German foreign minister states that the German peace delegation has "noted with satisfaction" that the draft of the treaty recognizes in principle the repatriation of German war and civilian prisoners with great expedition.

The German delegation, it is said, considers it indispensable that those war and civil prisoners detained or undergoing punishment for other than disciplinary offenses should in principle be included among those to be unconditionally repatriated.

Regarding war and civilian prisoners of allied and associated powers in his hands," the note says, "Germany has recognized the same principle. It appears self-evident to the German delegation, therefore, that on grounds of fairness, certain alleviations in the treatment of prisoners should be agreed upon pending their return."

**Labor Questions Important.**  
In his note dealing with labor questions Count Von Brockdorff-Rantzau says that the German government agrees with the allied and associated governments that the greatest attention must be paid to these problems.

"International peace and human progress depend on how these questions are handled," the note says. "The demand for social justice repeatedly drawn up in this connection by workers of all lands only partly finds endorsement in principle in this section of the allied governments' draft of the peace terms. These high demands have for the most part already been carried out in an admittedly exemplary fashion in the German empire."

### Two Youths Arrested for Murder of Storekeeper

El Paso, Tex., May 12.—Jewell Hale and Eugene Spencer, 18 years of age, who were arrested here Thursday, charged with the murder of Max Rubin, at Mart, Texas, May 1, and the robbery of Rubin's store, were turned over to Sheriff Bob Buchanan of McLennan county, Wash. this morning and will be taken to Mart this afternoon in the automobile in which they arrived here. It is said the car was stolen from Hale's father.

### Wreck Sighted at Sea May Be Plane Lost During Parade

Boston, May 12.—Search by the Coast Guard cutter Osagee for the wreckage of a seaplane sighted Saturday 40 miles east of Provincetown by the destroyer McDermott has been unsuccessful thus far.

### American Military Police Attacked by Gang at Nice

Nice, France, May 12.—Two American military policemen were attacked by a gang Sunday night and one of the policemen, Herbert Larsen, was wounded fatally. Five revolver shots were fired point blank at the policemen, three of them striking Larsen, who died several hours later. The aggressors have not yet been arrested.

# Count Says Army Command Urged Kaiser's Abdication

## After Reports of Street Fighting in Berlin Reached Spa, Hohenzollern Agreed to Abdicate as Kaiser, But Retain Crown as King of Prussia.

Second Installment of Count von der Schulenburg's Eye Witness Account of the Kaiser's Abdication.

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Zurich, May 12.—Count von der Schulenburg's narrative of the discussion among the former Kaiser, General von Hindenburg, Minister von Hatzfeld, Generals von Plessen, Groener and Marshall, Herr von Gruenau, of the foreign office, and Major Niemann, of the supreme army command, leading up to the Kaiser's abdication continues.

"A long discussion followed in which General Groener again and again reiterated his belief that it was too late for any measure of that sort. They could no longer succeed, he said, since the revolutionaries were practically in possession of all Germany and well organized. In his opinion the rebels would undoubtedly stop the food supply of the army. In addition it should be taken into consideration that the army was no longer to be relied upon, as all the army commanders had testified when asked for their candid opinion by Colonel Heye, charged with taking this testimony by the supreme army command.

**Army as Whole 'Kaisertrue.'**  
"I combated this conception most vigorously and emphasized I could state in behalf of all commanders and generals with the crown prince's army group that the army as a whole was loyal to the Kaiser. It might not be loyal enough for again taking up arms and fighting the foreign foe, but it was loyal enough to restore order in spots and to march back home in organized units under the leadership of the Kaiser."

"His majesty then asked Groener what facts he had upon which he based his opinion as to the sentiments of the army. He wanted to know, whether Groener had asked all the army commanders and generals. The Kaiser mentioned that Schulenburg had reported a state of affairs at variance with what Groener claimed to be the true situation. Groener replied he had to differ with me.

"His majesty thereupon, very sharply said: 'I command the field marshal and you to report in black and white on this subject, but only after you have consulted all the high army commanders.'

### Kaiser Against Civil War.

"His majesty again made it plain he did not want civil war under any circumstances. He would never expect the army to entertain any such proposition. In his only wish," he said, "I lead the army as an organized body home. To this Groener replied: 'The army will march back home, as an organized body and under the leadership of its regular commanders, but not under the leadership of your majesty.' I again protest against this view. I said I believe I was voicing the views of all the commanders and generals when I maintained that the whole army would gladly follow the Kaiser's leadership on the way home. The army would never let any one change it with the

shame of having deserted his Kaiser in the field and in the face of the enemy.

"Field Marshal von Hindenburg then spoke. Every Prussian army officer was expected to share my opinion," he said, "but reports received from the front as well as from home made it absolutely necessary that the Kaiser should abdicate. He and General Groener could no longer guarantee the army's reliability. His majesty concluded the discussion in these words: 'You will ask all my chief commanders as to the sentiment in the army and when they report to me that the army no longer sticks to me then I shall be ready to go. But no sooner.'

"During this time telephone queries from Berlin asking whether the Kaiser had abdicated, if he had not yet abdicated, and how soon he was going to abdicate were chasing one another. These queries came from the Chancellor's office at Berlin. They told of the dangerous situation looming up at the capital and finally peremptorily demanded immediate abdication. The last one of these telephone communications said there was street fighting in Berlin, some of the troops had gone to the rebels, the governor of Berlin no longer had any troops that he could trust and that the only means of preventing bloodshed was the announcement of the abdication. This would be the only way of saving the monarchy for the future.

**Ready to Make Sacrifice.**  
"His majesty was deeply impressed by this message. He seemed resolved to sacrifice his person in order to prevent civil war. I told him if any abdication were really necessary it could concern only the German Emperor, but not the King of Prussia. The question of the abdication of the King of Prussia was a matter to be taken up with the Prussian House of Lords and the Prussian Diet, but it was not a matter to be taken up with and to be defeated by the German empire's Parliament. Prussian army officers and the Prussian army would never survive the loss of their King, I told him. It was his duty, I said, to remain at the head of the Prussian army and never to desert it.

"It seemed to me the government at Berlin was too much under the influence of the local turmoil and had swayed too much by street fighting close by. I had an idea the ministers were asking for the Kaiser's abdication merely in order to prevent their own sacred persons. I suggested the governor of Berlin be called up on the telephone and asked about the situation. There would be plenty of time to render a decision after the government had been heard from. His majesty assented to my proposition and added he would continue as King of Prussia under all circumstances and near leave them. He then gave orders to have the Governor of Berlin called up and left for the garden accompanied by his adjutant."

(To Be Continued.)

### Crew Battle Fire in Hold of Japanese Ship; Passengers Are Calm

Seattle, May 12.—Fire was burning in the hold of the Japanese liner Manila Maru when she arrived here Monday from the Orient with about 200 passengers and a cargo estimated worth about \$2,000,000. When the liner tied up to her dock here, smoke was issuing from her hold and portions of her decks and bulkheads were warm.

Passengers aboard the Manila remained calm, her officers said, when the fire was discovered last Monday, while the ship was about 1,000 miles from Cape Flattery.

For two days and nights the officers and crew fought the fire with steam and water. Holes were cut in the bulkheads and streams turned in on the flames.

No estimates were made of the fire loss as the hold will not be opened until the steamer reaches Tacoma. The cargo consists of rice, peanut oil and matting.

"How's the wife?"  
"Low spirited."  
"What's the trouble?"  
"She needs a change of scenery."  
"Going to send her away?"  
"Ym, Birmingham Age-Herald, April 20."

### City to Turn Out In Parade In Honor of Capt. E. Rickenbacker

A parade in recognition of the services rendered to the country by Capt. "Eddie" Rickenbacker will be held in this city next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, when he arrives here, according to plans being perfected by interested Omaha citizens, members of the Omaha Automobile club.

More than 1,000 automobiles will be mustered into the parade. The route to be taken by the parade as now mapped out will be on Farnam street, from 74th street to the boulevard. It is the intention of the committee arranging the reception to have two aeroplanes flying overhead while the parade is in progress.

Captain Rickenbacker will lead the procession and will review the parade near Twenty-eighth and Farnam streets. Army cars and trucks and members of the Woman's Motor corps will take part in the parade.

### Belgians In Demonstration Express Disappointment

Brussels, May 12.—A demonstration, organized by a number of patriotic societies, has sent addresses to King Albert, expressive of the Belgian people's disappointment to find the country had been "gagged and mutilated," and is obtaining neither the guarantees nor the repatriation promised by the allies. The addresses complain that indemnities provided are inadequate and ask the King to "save Belgium from the ruin which threatens her."

### Korea Wants Recognition Of Nation's Independence

Washington, May 12.—Recognition by the peace conference of Korea's claim to independence was urged by Dr. Syngman Rhee, secretary of state of the provisional Korean government, in a message sent to President Wilson and Premier Clemenceau, asking that the council of four grant audience to the provisional government's representative in Paris.

### Rioters Get Prison Sentences.

Boston, May 12.—Thirteen men arrested during May day disturbances in the Roxbury district were found guilty today of rioting and assault on policemen. Sentences of one year and a half in the house of correction were imposed on nine, while the others were given six months. All appealed. Nineteen others were placed on trial.

### Parcel Post Order

Parcel post packages for The Netherlands, Denmark, Norway, and Sweden are now accepted at the Omaha postoffice if accompanied by an individual license issued by the war trade board at Chicago. To secure an export license the person desiring to send the package must write to the war board stating exactly what is to be sent.

# SURPLUS MEAT STOCKS WILL BE SOLD IN EUROPE

## Hundred Million Cans of Beef and Half as Much Bacon to Be Set Aside for Export.

Washington, May 12.—A method of disposing of about 100,000,000 cans of beef and of more than 50,000,000 pounds of bacon included in the surplus food stocks of the army has been agreed upon between the War department and representatives of the packing industry.

The department announced today that the agreement recommending the disposal of the goods to be sold in this country, fixing the prices and method of distribution with the packing industry acting as an agent.

The surplus products equal a normal production of over a period of two years. To place this quantity of packed meats on the market at this time, the department's announcement said, would seriously affect prices on both canned and fresh meats.

### Corn Reaches Highest Point of Season In Sensational Bulge

Chicago, May 12.—Sensational new skyward flights by prices in the corn market resulted today from meagerness of readily available supplies and from prospects of further wet weather delays to planting.

Corn for spot delivery wanted to fill May contracts went to the highest prices so far on the present crop, May soaring to \$1.77 after midday, an overnight rise of 8 cents a bushel.

Corn reached its highest point of the season and led to a nearly continuous advance in deferred futures. The close was flurried, 5 1/2c to 9 1/2c net higher, with July \$1.68 1/2 to \$1.68 3/4 and September at \$1.59 1/2 to \$1.59 3/4.

The general opinion around the Omaha Grain exchange and the commission houses is that Omahans have neither made nor lost on the advance of 10 cents a bushel in the May option on corn. A week or more ago when corn commenced to saw back and forth at the rate of 5 to 6 cents a bushel, Omaha dealers are reported to have closed their eyes, being skeptical as to the future. Consequently, yesterday when the big bulge hit the May option, Omahans were in the clear.

Relative to cash corn, a considerable number of the Grain exchange members are holding actual corn. They bought at prices anywhere from 2 1/2 to 25 cents a bushel below the present top and thus stand to make a big profit.

However, there are some of the Omaha men who are inclined to hang onto their corn. They are talking \$2 a bushel and confidently expect to see this figure reached before the end of the month.

### Deny-Emerson Permission to Attend Motrer's Funeral

Creston, Ia., May 12.—(Special Telegram)—Roy Emerson, held in the county jail without bond on a grand jury indictment charging him with the murder of his mother, Mrs. Charles Emerson, was denied permission by the authorities to attend the funeral, held Sunday afternoon.

Feeling continues to be high against him and the officials expressed fear of mob action in case he was released.

Emerson was a partner of his mother in the undertaking business founded by his father, the late Charles Emerson, for many years secretary of the Iowa Undertakers' association. He is charged with killing his mother following a quarrel over money matters by hitting her on the head with an iron weight and throwing the body down a 20-foot elevator shaft.

Emerson has entered a plea of not guilty, and his attorneys announce they will demand a trial within the next few weeks.

Funeral services were held in the Methodist church, Sunday afternoon. The funeral was one of the largest ever held in Creston.

### U. S. Warns Against Any Invasion of Costa Rica

Washington, May 12.—President Chamorro of Nicaragua, has been warned by the American government against attempting any invasion of Costa Rica. This became known today after publication of press dispatches from San Jose that hostile forces had crossed the Costa Rican border from Nicaragua. Officials said, however, they had no information to show whether these forces were Nicaraguan troops or revolutionists.

### Oppose Tax Exemption of Five Per Cent Securities

Kansas City, May 12.—Opposition to the tax exemption feature of the government 5 per cent farm securities was voiced at an executive session of the board of governors of the National Farm Mortgage Bankers' association which began here today. The government farm security puts other farm loans to a disadvantage, it was declared, because of this provision.

### Movement to Reduce Food Prices Grows in Germany

Berlin, May 12.—Almost unnoticed amid the excitement incident to the receipt of the peace terms and probably influenced by them, a movement in which the workers are receding from their earlier demands for higher wages and are striving to induce the government to reduce food prices, is gradually gaining ground. The latest organization to adopt this policy is the German Railway Men's association.

# Fiume Crisis Can Only Be Settled by Concessions

## Ex-Premier Viviani of France Says Return of Italian Delegation to Peace Table Leaves Door Open for an Amiable Settlement of Dispute.

By RENE VIVIANI, Former Premier of France, Written Especially for Universal Service. (Special Cable Dispatch.)

Paris, May 12.—The crisis over Fiume has abated considerably since my last article on this question. The Italian peace delegation has returned to the conference and a new note of optimism has penetrated the atmosphere. The newspapers, however, are filled with conflicting reports as to the probable solution, and considerable mystery still shrouds the circumstances leading to President Wilson's now famous manifesto.

We cannot imagine that the president meant to acquit himself with the national sentiment of the Italian people through the medium of the Italian Parliament, independent of the Italian peace delegation's views and arguments. So simple a politician as he could not have doubted the answer of the Parliament. In the circumstances it was

not of the question that it would before the whole world repudiate its own government.

**Settlement is Possible.**  
On the other hand it emphatically recorded its absolute support of the government. Fortunately, its attitude, while unmistakable, is moderate and leaves the door open for an amicable settlement. On the other hand there is no question that such a settlement can be brought about only by concessions by either side, or both.

Now, concessions depend much more upon the application of principles than they do upon the principles themselves. Unfortunately, principles have been invoked by both sides with such force and emphasis, and so plainly before all the world, that a "backdown" is necessarily difficult and embarrassing.

But let us hope that the opposing sides in this controversy will rise above the exaggerated personal vanity and pride and work for an amicable solution in the interests of the common good of mankind.

The conflict of principles is a dual one, and this fact makes the difficulty worse. There is, first, the conflict between President Wilson and the allies, who, on April 15, 1915, in the treaty of London, gave Italy the Dalmatian coast. Secondly, there is a conflict between the allies and Italy; who claims Fiume, which is not given her in the London pact. It seems to us that in the examination of these conflicts that we must seek the true basis for a solution.

**Known of London Pact.**  
President Wilson knew officially—certainly since the entry of the United States into the war, if not before—of the pact of London, the invocation of which could not come as a surprise to him.

Now, it is true that since then he has proclaimed the 14 points. Is there a contradiction between these points and the treaty of London?

President Wilson appears to have thought that his 14 points "cleared the slate" and virtually abrogated all inter-allied agreements. The allies, on the other hand, held that the 14 points left those conventions intact. And all the world remained silent when this question came up, instead of trying to obtain clear light on it.

Why was there no specific understanding about this immediately after the 14 points were proclaimed? I know full well that this

question was universally asked, and it does not lack force of logic. In reply it might be argued that if allies had not been united at the moment of the armistice the war would have gone on and the peoples would not have permitted further bloodshed for the sake of an explanation among the allies. This is certainly true.

### Mad Dog Terrifies Neighborhood Till Shot by Policeman

A dog, believed to have rabies, terrified citizens in the neighborhood of Twenty-fifth and Charles streets about 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning.

Children going to school were frightened by the dog, but no one was injured. The streets were kept deserted by the vicious animal, which attacked all pedestrians who appeared and drove them to the shelter of homes in the vicinity.

Motorcycle officers from the police station killed the dog.

### 'No Sheepskins' This Year

Columbia, Mo.—Students of the University of Missouri will receive no sheepskin diplomas at the graduation exercises this year. Plain paper camouflaged to resemble parchment will be issued instead. Inability to receive supplies from Europe is the reason for the substitute.

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