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GERMAN PROPOSALS

FINALLY MADE KNOWN

Terms of Suggestions Are Made Public in Berlin

IN COMMUNICATION SENT TO WASHINGTON

President Harding Assured That Germany Will Do Everything in Her Power to Enable American Government to Lend Hand in Difficult Situation.

Berlin, April 26 (By the Associated Press).—The German people now know the new proposals which the German government submits to the allied powers through the medium of the United States. The terms of the proposals were made public today, as well as the accompanying assurances forwarded to President Harding.

Germany, declaring that the peace and welfare of the world are dependent upon a speedy and just solution of the reparations question, assures the president that it will do everything in its power to enable the American government to direct the attention of the allied governments to the matter. As previously outlined, Germany proposes to pay the allies an indemnity extending over a number of years which will amount to 200,000,000,000 gold marks, equivalent to \$50,000,000,000, she will cooperate to her utmost in the reconstruction of devastated regions; she will place immediately at the disposal of the reparations commission 1,000,000,000 gold marks; she is willing to assume the allied objections to the United States and she will issue an international loan, the proceeds of which will go to the allies.

The German foreign minister, Dr. Simons, explaining the counter proposals in the reichstag, declared the new offer sent through the United States must not be taken "on the basis of an increase over the previous German offer, but only on a different basis."

The new step had been taken by Germany, the minister explained, not out of fear of new penalties, but owing entirely to the false views entertained abroad regarding the reparations question. President Harding was appealed to on the principle of justice, and the American answer was awaited at any moment.

The text of the note forwarded by Germany to the United States for transmission to the allies concludes with the following points:

"1. Germany fixes her total liability at 200,000,000,000 gold marks payable in suitable annuities.
"2. Germany will immediately issue an international loan in which she will participate, and of which the value, rate of interest and scale of redemption shall be subject to agreement, the proceeds of the loan to be put at the disposal of the allies.
"3. Germany will pay, according to her capacity, in labor, interest and redemption, the total sum to be paid which is not covered by the international loan; she considers in this connection that it will be possible to pay only 4 per cent. annual interest.

"4. Germany is disposed to permit the allies to share in an improvement of financial and economic situation. The redemption of the remaining sums will have to take therefore, a variable form, depending upon an improvement. It would be necessary to draw up a scheme to be based on an index to be used should the situation become worse.

"5. In order to clear herself as quickly as possible of the balance, Germany is willing to cooperate with all her strength in the reconstruction of the devastated regions; she regards reconstruction as the most urgent basis of reparations and the most direct remedy for mitigating the hardships of the war and the hatred between peoples. She will reconstruct towns, villages and townships designated, or cooperate by supplying labor and material, or in any other way agreeable to the allies.
"6. With the same object in view Germany is disposed to pay in kind to states which were victims of the war, in addition to reconstruction, according to a scheme as far as possible purely commercial.

"7. In order to give undeniable proof of her good faith, Germany is prepared immediately to place at the disposal of the reparations commission 1,000,000,000 gold marks, comprising 150,000,000 in gold and silver in foreign exchange and 850,000,000 gold marks in treasury notes, redeemable within three months in foreign exchange or foreign securities.

"8. In the event the United States and the allies so desire, Germany is willing, according to the extent of their ability and capacity, to assume the allied obligations to the United States.

"9. Germany propose to negotiate, with the assistance of experts, as to the way in which German deliveries for reparations will be reckoned against the total of Germany's debt, particularly respecting the way in which the price value will be fixed.

"10. As security for credits accorded her, Germany is willing to pledge public revenues and properties in a manner to be determined between the contracting parties.

"11. With the acceptance of these proposals, Germany's other reparations and obligations will be annulled and all German mandate property in foreign countries will be released.

Germany declares the present proposals only capable of being carried out if the system of penalties is discontinued forthwith and she is freed from all unproductive outlays now imposed on her and that she be given freedom of trade.

Should any other form of proposals in the view of the American government facilitate further negotiation of the question, the German government would ask to have its attention drawn to any points in which alteration is, in the opinion of the American government, desirable. The German government would also welcome other proposals from the American government.

Finally the note says: "The German government is too deeply convinced of the fact that the peace and welfare of the world are dependent upon a speedy, just and fair solution of the reparations question not to do everything within its power in order to enable the American government to direct the attention of the allied governments to the matter."

PARENT-TEACHER'S GATHERING AT DURANT'S SCHOOL

The fact that our best and by far most important crop is our crop of boys and girls was brought home to me last Thursday while I was visiting in the Durant School Community.

I went into this section to see a number of farmers in regard to an important piece of Demonstration Work that I hoped to be able to put across. But after visiting several places and finding no one at home, I began making inquiries as to where everybody had gone. I was told that the people were at the school; and taking the cue, I went to the school too.

Upon my arrival at the school, I was invited in to enjoy seeing and hearing the youngsters recite their "Readin', Ritin', and Rhythmic" and so on. It was really remarkable to me to observe how well the little fellows could spell, write and read. The community is to be congratulated upon the good work that their school is doing, but above all the teachers are to be praised—not for being efficient teachers, that is expected—but for getting all those mothers and fathers to leave their work at home and spend the day in school with their children.

Another important feature of the day was the delightful and bounteous picnic which was served upon the grounds. Taken all in all it was a day well spent for the people of the community.

W. R. Gray, County Agent.

GEORGE ZEIGLER DROWNED

Macon, Ga., April 26.—George Zeigler, 24, member of a prominent family, was drowned here today while bathing. He came here four years ago from Fort Motte, S. C.

THREE OFFICERS IN PRESIDENTIAL CLASS

Washington, April 23.—It was announced at the Postoffice Department today that Smaocks, Pinewood and Frogmore, in South Carolina, had been raised to the presidential class of postoffices because of increased business.

COTTON MEETING TO BE HELD IN COLUMBIA

Editor Manning Times,
Manning, S. C.
Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a list of the delegates appointed to attend the semi-annual meeting of the South Carolina Branch of the American Cotton Association to be held at Columbia, S. C., on May 5th 1921, in the Craven Hall. The meeting to begin at 12 o'clock.

I wish to urge each one of the delegates appointed to be there or send a substitute in his place as this is regarded by those who are familiar with the plans and purposes of the Association as a very important meeting. For we hope to launch the organization of a cooperative Cotton Sales Agencies which we regard as the salvation of the South. Oklahoma organized last week and with 400,000 bales pledged for five years. I am sure any farmer will have his mind enlightened and the information that he will gather at this meeting will repay him well for the lost of the day.

Yours truly,

F. C. Thomas,
President Clarendon Cotton Ass.

J. M. Windham, Secretary.

List of Delegates:

J. H. Timmons, Manning; J. J. Epps, New Zion; Hugh McFadden, New Zion; J. H. DuBose, New Zion; J. M. Hicks, New Zion; R. E. Smith, Lake City, R. F. D.; J. L. Green, Turbeville; J. W. Buddin, Turbeville; D. E. Turbeville, Turbeville; R. H. Belsler, Summerton; Geo. A. Ridgill, Summerton; J. M. Rowe, Summerton; Jeff M. Davis, Summerton; T. H. Gentry, Summerton; J. S. Watt, Summerton; H. C. Cousar, Jordan; C. H. Broadway, Paxonville; M. J. Davis, Jordan; I. V. Plowden, Manning; H. K. Beaton, Manning.

FEAST OF GOOD THINGS IN STORE THIS WEEK

Chautauqua Opens Here Today With Good Program.

The Redpath Chautauqua, the largest engagement in this city today, and pennants, window cards, newspaper and newspaper advertising over the city are heralding their coming.

The Chautauqua was secured some time ago by a number of local people who stood a guarantee in order that it might be brought here, and a real treat of good things is in store for our people.

The story hour, which has always proven a great attraction for the children, will be held in the big tent at 5 p. m., just after the afternoon performance each day except the first day. The story hour girl always takes the first day to visit the school and explain her work to the children.

She dresses in the costumes of many different lands and tells the children the best children stories of these lands, setting them to music. Before the week is over the children dramatize one of these stories. All children and their parents are welcome whether holding a chautauqua ticket or not.

Mr. Hughes, an experienced chautauqua man, will be in charge as Superintendent during the week.

The program of the Chautauqua is as follows:

First Afternoon
Introductory Exercises. Grand Concert, Hippie Concert Co.

First Night
Concert, Hippie Concert Co. Lecture, "The War on Hunger," George L. McNutt.

Second Afternoon
Artists' Recital, Irene Stolofsky Company.

Second Night
Concert, Irene Stolofsky Company. Lecture, "Success or Failure?" Harry L. Fogleman.

Third Afternoon
Concert, Dunbar's White Hussars. Popular Sketches and Readings, Beulah Buck.

Third Night
Grand Concert, Dunbar's White Hussars.

Fourth Afternoon
Lecture, "The World We Live In," Dr. E. T. Hagerman.

Fourth Night
"Nothing But The Truth," Delightful American Comedy.

Fifth Afternoon
Grand Concert, Grobecker's Swiss Yodlers.

Fifth Night
Concert, Grobecker's Swiss Yodlers. "Joy Night" Program—Cartoons and Readings, Evelyn Bargett.

Afternoon performances will begin at 3:30 and evening at 8:00 o'clock. Season tickets for all performances are being sold for \$3.00 plus 10 per cent war tax.

In addition to their being considerably cheaper, season tickets go towards making up the guarantee of the local citizens, whereas single individual tickets do not.

CIVIC LEAGUE

There was a call meeting of the Civic League Monday afternoon, April 25th. After the minutes were read and approved the President then turned to the business of the meeting.

A motion was moved and carried to let the contract for the coping of the driveway on the School Grounds, and to leave the road bed until funds will be sufficient to pave it.

Miss Moore, the Red Cross Nurse gave a splendid health talk concerning the danger of flies. The League will willingly co-operate with her to urge better sanitary conditions by eliminating this dangerous pest. Messdames J. A. Easley and Geo. Hanks were elected members of the League.

The following officers were elected for the year 1921:

President—Mrs. J. A. Weinberg.
1st. V. Pres.—Mrs. J. H. Orvin.
2nd. V. Pres.—Mrs. I. I. Applt.
3rd. V. Pres.—Mrs. J. H. Rigby.
4th. V. Pres.—Mrs. C. B. Geiger.
Sec. and Treas.—Miss Irma Weinberg.

A resolution was passed to send \$10.00 to the Loan Scholarship Fund, after the delegate made her report of the Federation, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Irma Weinberg,
Secretary and Treasurer.

MAY ARRANGE CONFERENCE

Washington, April 26.—Chairman Clark of the interstate commerce commission, if the people of Columbia so desire, will endeavor to make arrangements for a conference between representatives of the commission, the railroads and vegetable producers of the South to the end that means might be devised for the placing of far products in Eastern markets.

Such a conference at present is in progress at Macon, Ga. In as much as truck growers of South Carolina are in a plight identical with that of Georgia, watermelon and peach growers, Senator Dial thought that Columbia might be as deeply interested as Macon. He approached the chairman of the commission, who agreed to cooperate.

It is generally known that on account of prohibitive railroad rates, truck and fruit of the South is delivered to Eastern market at a loss.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

TWENTY YEARS AGO

May 1, 1901

Mr. M. F. Heller of Kingstree, spent a couple of days in Manning last week.

Messrs. Julian Weinberg and J. A. Brown have opened up an up-to-date bicycle shop here in one of the Spratt buildings. The style of the firm is Weinberg & Brown.

The Manning Methodist Church will be dedicated Sunday, the 12th inst. Bishop W. W. Duncan will officiate and an elaborate program will be arranged for the dedicatory service.

Dr. G. Allen Huggins after an absence of a number of years practicing dentistry in the city of Dayton, O., delighted his relatives and friends in Manning by paying the home of his birth a visit. We are all glad to greet him and bade him welcome to his old home.

The barn and stables belonging to Dr. J. J. Hodge near Paxonville was destroyed by fire last Saturday night about 11 o'clock. The losses are two horses, farming implements, corn and forage and a number of other things used about the farm. There was no insurance.

The report that cotton seed are selling at Summerton for \$1.50 per bushel is untrue. Mr. Rogan telephoned this office yesterday that he has on hand 800 bushels which he has not asked more than 25 cents for. We mention this to prevent imposition from those who would take advantage of present distressing conditions.

PAXVILLE NEWS

The Santee Baptist Association's Annual Sunday School Convention convened at the Baptist church last Tuesday and Wednesday. A splendid program had been arranged, and was one of the best ever held by the Association. Dinner was served on the grounds both days to large crowds.

Miss Alice Broadway left a few days ago for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. S. I. D. Wise, at Hyman.

Mr. J. W. Khamc has recently purchased the store lot where Broadway and Andrews was burned last fall, and is now removing the debris preparing to erect a handsome brick building to be used as a drug store.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union held its monthly meeting at the home of the president, Mrs. E. S. Geddings. A very interesting program was rendered. The campaign for new members was stressed, and the collection of dues now, was urged by the State Treasurer, Mrs. Chas. P. Robinson. During the social hour, the hostess assisted by the junior members of the organization, served delicious strawberries with cream and cake.

Mr. Willie Stokes has decided to move from here to Pinewood, where he will open up a barber business.

Mrs. M. B. Corbett, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Reynolds spent the week-end with relatives at Wilson Mill.

Mr. Rya Kelly, of Rock Hill visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. H. J. Tisdale last week.

At a recent meeting of the board of trustees of the graded school, the entire corps of teachers was re-elected for another term. As far as known, none has made a final decision as to acceptance. Miss Sue M. Spratt, of Manning as principal, assisted by Misses Pearle Hooks, Margaret Broadway, and Eva Baine have given a splendid year's work, and trustees and patrons are well pleased with the progress of the school. They hope to formulate some plans by which to have a nine months term another year.

On Wednesday, May 4th, there will be a general cleaning-up of the Community Cemetery at Paxville. There are several interested in this work that do not live in Paxville and it will be appreciated if these people see this notice that they will either come on this day or send the money to have this much-needed work done. The money can be sent to Mr. W. R. Keels.

CHAUTAUQUA MAN

QUITE A RUNNER

C. J. Stout, the affable advance representative of the Redpath Chautauqua in the city this week, runs two miles before breakfast each morning.

Mr. Stout is quite a runner, having made a mile on indoor track in 4 minutes and 16 4-5 seconds. The world's record is 4 minutes and 13 3-5 seconds. He also holds the mid-Western college record for the two mile run, in 9 minutes and 29 3-5 seconds and was presented in Chicago with a gold watch in 1917 for negotiating a straight one mile in 4 minutes and 11 2-5 seconds.

Mr. Stout says this is so far as he knows the fastest time a mile has been run in, but that a straight mile can be run in less time than the usual curved mile and he claims no record for it. His ten mile record is 55 minutes.

Mr. Stout was a Lieutenant in the Aviation department during the war, but did not go to France until after the Armistice. Then he was taken over to participate in the races in Paris, where he won 1500 meters in Interallied games. He was captain of the track team at the University of Chicago in 1916 and is a native of East Tennessee.

MAY GET SWEET POTATO STORE HOUSE

Two business men from Manning visited Waterboro, S. C., yesterday to inspect the sweet potato curing house and grain elevator, their report of what they saw is interesting and points a way of relief for Clarendon county farmers.

Four sweet potato curing houses were erected during the past year in different sections of Colleton county. The houses have a capacity of 8,000 bushels each and three of them were filled to capacity during the curing season. The potatoes were sold through The Southern States Produce Distributors, Columbia, S. C., under the trade name of Sugarbuds. Eleven earloads were shipped to various parts of the country, some going to Southern Texas, others to Kansas, New York and North Carolina. The prices received were even better than the growers had expected. The lowest price was \$1.30 per crate of five pecks; the highest, \$1.75.

The grain elevator was particularly interesting. This was erected at a cost of \$20,000 last year. It is a substantial concrete and sheet iron building nearly 75 feet high. Having storage facilities of 15,000 bushels, the operators can buy in any quantity and ship when it is desirable. The farmer with one bushel of ear corn in the shuck can sell for cash at any time.

When corn is delivered to the elevator the shuck is quickly removed by machinery and the shucks are salted and baled. There is a ready market for them for feed. The corn is shelled in a power sheller, thoroughly cleaned and stored away for shipment.

One earload recently shipped to Charleston brought 6c per bushel more than the Western quotation.

It is undoubtedly true that the market for the Porta Rica Yam is steadily growing. Only by thorough co-operation between the growers and the curing house operators, careful planting and grading can the industry be put on a paying basis. In order to determine the number of farmers who will undertake to plant Porta Rica Yams for market in case a sweet potato curing house can be secured for Manning or other parts of the county, readers are asked to address the editor and advise him of their intentions. We hope by next week to announce definitely that a potato house will be built this year. Write us at once and tell us what you will do.

Louisville, Ga., April 26.—L. G. Hattaway and J. G. Hewitt, wanted on warrants in connection with the shooting and wounding of Ed Fleming, a negro, near this place late Saturday, and for which three men are under arrest, today notified friends here that they would surrender shortly.

Reports from Augusta say that Fleming, who is confined in a hospital there, is still in a critical condition, but that there is a chance for his recovery.

Judge R. N. Hardeman announced today that he would not call a special term of court for the trial of B. T. Hattaway, C. N. McNeil and Millett Harold, who are now being held without bond on charges of assault with intent to murder, for next Monday, as was stated here last night, but the case would be presented to the Jefferson county grand jury the second week in May.

DISTRICT CONVENTION

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Met in Pinewood Wednesday Evening—An Excellent Meeting—Delightful Banquet Served.

There was a large and enthusiastic meeting of the Knights of Pythias and their families held at Pinewood last Wednesday evening, at which time the District Convention of that order was held.

The lodge held its business meeting at 3:30 in the lodge hall. At 7 o'clock a banquet was served in a large vacant store, and at 8 o'clock another meeting of the lodge was called, at which time the ranks of Esquire and Knight were conferred.

This was one of the largest and best meetings of this kind ever held both in point of numbers and a general good time. There were 25 of the Knights from Sumter, 20 from Manning and 20 from Bishopville, while practically all of the lodges in this district were represented. Over 200 Knights, together with their wives and sweethearts, sat down around the festal board and partook of a repast which was bountiful and delightfully prepared and served. Chicken, ham and all the accompanying dishes which go to make up a well balanced supper were there in such lavish proportions that another crowd of the same proportions could have easily been fed.

Chancellor Commander J. W. Weeks of the Pinewood lodge filled the chair at the evening meeting, and also acted as toastmaster, and Dr. Geo. W. Dick, of Sumter, who is Past Grand Chancellor, was the orator of the evening, and was assisted in this pleasant duty by many of the Knights around the festal board. At an election which was held during the afternoon, Past Chancellor C. H. Mathis, of Manning, was elected District Deputy Grand Chancellor, and Past Chancellor H. L. Baxley, of Pinewood, was made secretary. The next meeting of the district lodge will be held in Manning during the fall months.

EXAMPLE OF CANADA AND UNITED STATES

Other Nations Might Profitably Follow, Says Harding

WANTS TRUST OF NEIGHBOR

"Seeking Same Fundamental Objects in Onward March of Humankind."

Washington, April 26.—The example of Canada and the United States dwelling along side one another without fortification for 100 years was pointed to as one other nations might emulate by President Harding in an address at an Odd Fellow meeting here tonight in celebration of the 102nd anniversary of the order.

Such concord might be possible among other nations, the President said, if they possessed the same understanding and singleness of purpose "to forward the cause of human kin." The address was delivered after Joseph Oliver, of Toronto, Ont., grand sire of the order, had expressed the hope that Canada and the United States might for all time continue the same amicable relations.

The President in expressing the pleasure with which, he said, "an American of the United States" heard such words "from an American who hails from Canada," declared that "after all it little matters what flag we owe our allegiance to on the North American continent.

Likes Amicable Relations
"I like above all else," he continued, "the example of Canada and the United States dwelling throughout the past century in peace and under the most amicable relations with a single purpose, to forward the cause of human kin."

The President further declared he desired "Canada always to look to the South, and to fix its gaze on the most representative democracy in the world." "I want Canada to know," he said, "that she can understand us, and I want her to give us her trust, because we are seeking the same fundamental objects in the onward march of humankind."

Asserting that no one could belong to a fraternity unless he was devoted to justice and truth and fidelity, the President said:

"I wish nations might be committed to the same relations," adding that "out of fraternity comes understanding, and if nations possessed understanding and sought to deal fraternally with one another they could dwell together as the United States and Canada have more than a century without fortifications along thousands of miles of border."

FOR NEWS PAPERS
Former Ambassador to Great Britain

Makes First Appearance as General Counsel.

New York, April 26.—Praise of American newspapers by President Harding and an address by John W. Davis, formerly ambassador to Great Britain, featured the annual luncheon of the Associated Press held today in connection with the annual business meeting.

In a letter read at the luncheon, President Harding lauded the course of the press during the war and expressed the hope that his administration would continue to deserve the support accorded it thus far by the newspapers.

Mr. Davis, making his first appearance before the members as general counsel for the Associated Press, had kind words for impartial, truthful news gathering as he had found it exemplified by the Associated Press, and referring to the importance of foreign news, digressed to give personal opinions on several matters affecting foreign relations of the United States. He urged that a treaty should be ratified by a majority vote of the senate, instead of two-thirds, and that there be adequate compensation for the diplomatic and consular service.

At the business meeting the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, that the members of the Associated Press in convention assembled, tender their thanks to the president, board of directors and officers of the Associated Press for their efficient work during the past year, which has made the Associated Press the greatest news gathering organization in the world, and a credit to the United States."

NEGRO CRIES FOR HELP

Anderson, April 26.—A big negro man ran into police headquarters Sunday afternoon and asked that the mob not be allowed to get him. He handed the chief of police a roll of money, \$291, and told him that they were after him and were about to get him. The chief and him locked up in the station house, and sent for the county physician who says the man is deranged. He is now in jail but his constant cry is, "Don't let 'em shoot me." The chief has the money, and will try to find where the negro came from. He says his name is Bill Stroughter.

SAWS WOOD AT OLD AGE

London.—Edward Busell of Creaton celebrated his 101st birthday last week by going out in the yard and sawing wood.