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WILLIAM HOHENZOLLERN, EMPEROR-KING, TO ABDICATE

Crown Prince to Renounce the Throne; Maximilian Will Be Regent GERMANY'S REPLY TO ARMISTICE TERMS NOT YET MADE

KAISER RELINQUISHES POWER AS REVOLUTION SEIZES THE WAR-WRECKED GERMAN NATION

Taking the Throne Thirty Years Ago With His ALLIES CONTINUE Country at Threshold of An Era of Peaceful Progress, He Leaves It Virtually Ruined With the People Suffering From Four Years' Conflict.

MAXIMILIAN WILL CLOSE UP AFFAIRS

Red Flag of Revolution Waving Over a Continually Increasing Area of the Country—Banks of Berlin Stop Payments—Only a Few Hours Remain in Which to Answer Allied Armistice Conditions.

PRINCE MAXIMILIAN REGENT.

Amsterdam, Nov. 9 .- (Havas.)-Prince Maximilian, of Baden. has been appointed regent of the empire, the Berlin newspapers semi-officially an-

"WILL BE" APPOINTED, SAYS REPORT.

Amsterdam, Nov. 9 .- (Reuters.) -It is semi-officially reported in reichstag circles that Prince Maximilian will be appointed regent of the empire, according to Berlin advices.

(By The Associated Press.)

William Hohenzollern, German emperor and king of Prussia, has decided to renounce the throne.

This declaration is made in a decree issued at Berlin by the German imperial chancellor, Prince Maximilian, of Baden. The German crown prince will also renounce the throne, and a regency

Prince Maximilian will remain in office until matters connected with the abdication of the emperor are settled, and Friedrich Ebert, vice-president of the social democratic party, will replace

him as chancellor during the regency. LEAVES COUNTRY TORN BY REVOLUTION. Thirty years and almost five months after he ascended the Imperial throne, made progress Saturday on the north

William Honenzollern, his armies defeated in the field, forced to sue for armisace terms and the German people rising in revolt, gives up his power. He came into authority with his country at the threshold of an era of peace and material progress; he leaves it torn by revolution and suffering from the hardships and sacrifices of more than four years of war-virtually ruined. DUKE OF BRUNSWICK ABDICATES.

Ernest August, Duke of Brunswick son-in-law of the emperor, also has ab- days. licated and renounced the rights of his heir. With the passing from power of William Hohenzollern, all the heads of the overnments of the central powers when they entered the war, have died or their thrones. Emperor Francis-Joseph and the Sultan of Turkey died betheir countries agreed to allied armistice terms, and Ferdinand of Bulgaa abdicated to be succeeded by his son, who gave up the throne when his the rose against him. The other European emperor at the beginning of the at Nicholas Romanoff, was deposed in March, 1917, and murdered in July,

NO REPLY REGARDING ARMISTICE YET. Germany has not yet made reply concerning the armistice terms presented Marshal Foch. It is reported the German courier bound to German headwas not able reach Spa until Saturday afternoon. The first 24 of the 72 hours given Ger-

hany have expired, and the second 24 hour period is passing rapidly. REVOLUTION CONTINUES TO SPREAD. The red flag of revolution is waving over a continually increasing area of Haig in his report from headquarters many. The revolt has spread from the northwest along the North sea and tonight. hleswig-Holstein southward into Westphalia and Cologne, on the Rhine, reported affected. In Berlin the situation evidently is serious, as the banks TOURNAI AND ANTOING ARE ave stopped payments.

Maximilian's Decree Tells Of the Kaiser's Decision

Service.)—A German wireless message received in London this afternoon

"The German imperial chapcellor, rince Maximilian of Baden, has issued the following decree:

enounce the throne. The imperial chancellor will remain in office until the questions conected with the abdication of the kais-

ferouncing by the crown prince throne of the German empire and of Prussia and the setting up of a regency have been settled. For the regency he intends to appoint Deputy Ebert as imperial chan-

cellor and he proposes that a bill shall brought in for the establishment lav Providing for the immediate mulgation of general suffrage and constitutional German national which will settle finally the future form of government of the Gerhan and of those peoples which might desirious of coming within the em-

Berlin. November 9, 1918. The imperial chancellor."

Deputy Ebert who, according to the

serman wireless message, is to be

ondon. Nov. 9.—(British Wireless appointed imperial chancellor, Friedrich Ebert, vice-president of the social democratic party and president of the main committee of the reich-

Ebert's election to the latter office in June of this year, was taken to mean at the time that the socialist minority in the reichstag had either The kaiser and king has decided been reclaimed by the military government or that the socialists had gained ascendancy. Later events have proved that the socialists were in the sad-

> Ebert quite recently declared in the reichstag that the German people would no longer permit themselves to be without the right to decide their fate. It was he who informed the reichstag of the release of Dr. Lieb-

WIRELESS MESSAGE PICKED UP BY AMERICAN STATIONS

Washington, Nev. 9 .- The state department announced officially tonight within the German lines or who are declares: that the United States government prisoners. wireless stations had picked up a radio message from the Nauen tower canische Fliegerkorps," contained 35 Austro-Hungarian ships. The part of a practice of riding on crowded trains in Germany announcing the abdication of the kalser. The message came direct from Germany to the American

The text of the announcement as it (Continued On Page Three)

TO DRIVE THE FOE FROM FRENCH SOIL

Further Advances Made All Along Front From Mons to East of Meuse.

BIG AMERICAN ADVANCE

Driven Forward 30 Miles Within Few Days.

(By The Associated Press.) Field Marshal Haig, General Petain

and General Pershing continue the liberation of French territory and further advances have been made all along the line from Mons to east of the Meuse. The enemy is retiring all along the front, and on the French. sectors offers resistance only to proect his rear guards from the advanc-

On the north, the British are pressing on Mons and are advancing east Meubeuge, the great French fortress. South of Maubeuge, they are within three miles of the frontier on a line east of Avesnes.

There has been no let-up in the French pressure. The enemy is being Steadily pushed from the last rem There has been no let-up in the steadily pushed from the last remnants of French territory between Mezieres and Hirson and the redemption of all of France north and west of Mezieres appears a possibility of the next few hours.

Along the Meuse the Americans are region south of Damvillers. They front for 40 miles, driving the Germans rearward toward Montmedy, Longuyon and the border of Luxemburg and Lorraine. West of the Meuse, the American first army has

FRENCH ADVANCE 9 MILES: CAVALRY ENTERS BELGIUM Paris, Nov. 9 .- French cavalry has

crossed the Belgian border, the war office announces tonight. An advance of more than nine miles was made today at certain points.

BRITISH MOVING FORWARD ALONG THE ENTIRE FRONT :

London, Nov. 9 .- "On the whole British front our troops are moving foridly before them," says Field Marshal

CAPTURED BY THE BRITISH London, Nov. 9 .- In a sweeping advance today the British armies have captured Tournai and Antoing, Field Marshel Haig reports tonight. The second British army is approaching Renaix, which lies about 12 miles northeast of Tournai.

AMERICAN AIRMEN HID FOR THREE DAYS, THEN FLEW BACK

Plainfield, N. J., Nov. 9 .- After having fallen unobserved behind the German lines, Lieutenant Gordon Moy, an American aviator reported missing since September 26, hi for several days with his airplane and then flew back to his own lines, according to a letter from the young officer received here today by his father, George W. Moy, formerly mayor of this place.

Lieutenant Moy did not attempt his return flight until he had recovered from the effects of his fall. Then, attacked by several hostile planes in full sight of his comrades, he downed three for which he received official credit.

DROP LIST OF AMERICAN FLIERS DOWNED BY GERMANS

With the American Army in France, Nov. 9.—During a recent night raid Friday, have not all been complied upon Toul by German aviators, the Germans not only dropped bombs but with. a flaring paracute containing a list of names of American fliers who are dead official statement issued today, which

The list, which was headed "Amerithe others as prisoners, some of them wounded. The American aviators are planning to carry within the German lines a list of the German fliers imprisoned on this side.

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COURIER DISPATCHED TO SPA WITH THE ALLIED ARMISTICE CONDITIONS DELAYED BY HEAVY FIRE OF THE GERMAN ARTILLERY

London, Nov. 9 .- (British Wireless Service.) - The British press bureau issued the following announcement this afternoon:

"Owing to the heavy German barrage and machine gun fire on the battlefront, the passage of the courier from Marshal Foch's headquarters to Spa was so delayed that he is not expected to reach German headquarters until this afternoon. Consequently it is unlikely that any decision in regard to the armistice will be reached today."

DIFFICULTY IN CROSSING LINES.

Amsterdam, Nov. 9 .- The German courier bearing Marshal Foch's armistice terms had some difficulty in crossing the German lines. He was led to believe through the blowing up of an ammunition dump with a series of explosions that the Germans had not ceased firing, but he was informed of the cause of the explosions by wireless and instructed to pass the Ger-

AMERICANS ADVANCE VERY NEAR EVERYWHERE ALONG LINE ON THE SEDAN FRONT

Pershing's First Army Has dan Front, Nov. 9 6 p. m .- (By the lers-Devant-Mouzon southward. Associated Press)-The Americans made things interesting for the enemy today by advancing pretty much everywhere along their line. The enemy artillery fire today and yesterday was almost exclusively from large withdrawn all his lighter pieces and chine gun resistance. The statement is shelling from positions a great dis- follows:

> Five American ambulances drove by mistake into the German lines northeast of Lion-Devant-Dun and were captured. This indiffert was a treesed by some companies, who printing a rescue party and returned with the ambulances, four prisoners and three

> This evening the Americans were in complete control of both sides of the Mense and had in addition, occupied Remoiville wood. They also crossed the river at Mouzon, thus making their

With the American Army on the Se- | line on both sides complete from Vil-

AMERICANS ADVANCE IN FACE

ing's communique for this morning says in the region north and south of Damvillers east of the Meuse, the advance of the American forces successfully continues, meeting strong ma-

"East of the Meuse in the region north and south of Damvillers our advance successfully continues, meeting or's "victory" show. strong resistance from machine gun

MERICANS CO-OPERATING (Continued On Page Three.)

SUNK BY A MINE

pressing forward from Sedan to the Steamer Saetia Goes Down in 20 Unable to Wage the Fight Minutes Off Coast of Maryland.

advanced 30 miles during the last few 19 OF THE CREW MISSING MAXIMILIAN'S STATEMENT

Ocean City, Md., and a Raft With 18 Others is Picked Up By a Patrol Boat.

Ocean City, Md., Nov. 9 .- The Ameriutes later. Nineteen members of the he said: crew are missing, 47 having been land-

tonight by a patrol boat. The chief engineer. Charles Tourn- forces." ier, of Hartford, Conn., was the only one of the rescued who was injured. His leg was crushed between two life ment reads: boats in the heavy sea that has been running today. One of the patrol boats capsized in the sea, but its oc-

cupants were rescued. Destroyers and coast guard boats are searching the vicinity for traces of ed by manifestations of malicious joy rafts which may be affoat with the rest and hatred, will be heavy. Do of the men crew, although it is feared that the men on duty in the Saetia's enginee room were killed by one of the explosions.

AUSTRIANS FAIL TO MEET NAVAL CLAUSES

Information of Location of Austrian Ships Not Supplied and Allied Ships Not Surrendered.

Rome, Nov. 9.—A wireless message, belief in the right of might. signed by the commander-in-chief of the Italian navy, says that the naval clauses in the Austro-Hungarian armistice treaty, the time of which elapsed

This announcement is made in an

"Information has not been supplied as to the location and movements of ing assistance, pickpockets who make

OF STRONG MACHINE GUN FIRE

Washington, Nov. 9 .- General Persh-

'Along the line of the Meuse from was marked by artillery and machine

Washington, Nov. 9 .- General Persh-

GERMANY FORCED TO QUIT THE WAR

Against "Increasingly Superior Numbers.

Forty-Seven Survivors Landed at Chancellor Just Before Offering His Resignation Issued An Appeal "To Germans Aboard"-Nation Has Learned Lesson.

can steamer Saetia, bound from a service).-Just before Prince Maximil- reaching its natural end at a moment French port to Philadelphia, struck a ian of Baden offered his resignation ward and the enemy is retreating rap- mine 25 miles off the American coast as imperial chancellor he issued an at 9:05 a. m., today and sank 20 min- appeal "to Germans abroad" in which

"In the fifth year (of hostilities), ed here this afternoon and 18 more abandoned by its allies, the German have been taken off a raft at 9 o'clock people could no longer wage war

The text of the chancellor's state-

"In these difficult days, the hearts of many among you, my fellow countrymen, who outside the frontier of the German fatherland are surround-

despair of the German people. "Our soldiers have fought to the last moment as heroically as any army has ever done. The homeland has shown unprecedented strength in suffering and endurance. "In the fifth year, abandoned by its

allies, the German people could no

longer wage war against the increasingly superior forces. The victory for which many had greater victory over itself and its "From this victory we shall draw

PICKPOCKETS BOBBED LIVING

AND DEAD VICTIMS OF WRECK New York, Nov. 9 .- While victims of the recent wreck in the Malbone street tunnel of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company were lying in the dark, await-

DECISION OF KAISER CAUSES BUT LITTLE INTEREST AT CAPITAL

ISSUE IS SETTLED BRITISH PREMIER SAYS AT BANQUET NO ONE ABLE TO ANSWER

Sorely Pressed in the Spring, Allies Are at Peak of Victory In Autumn.

TALKS OF PEACE TERMS TIME EXPIRES TOMORROW

More Quickly Will Her Cities Be Ruined.

London, Nov. 9 .- (British Wireless Service) .- Premier Lloyd-George and that the kaiser had decided to Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the ad- abdicate was heard in Washmiralty, were speakers tonight at a banquet which followed the lord may-

premier to the banquetters who were Sassey to Waldelincourt the night expecting an announcement from him regarding the possible signing of an armistice with Germany. "Owing to ican government knew late tothe rapid and triumphant advance of night, it had not been signed, WITH FRENCH TAKE TOWNS the allied troops and to their relentless pursuit the German envoys have and the prevailing belief was er means have had to be devised to to these circumstances. I have nothing to say to you this evening as to the pected before tomorrow. result of the armistice negotiations. "The issae is settled. In the spring were being sorely pressed. The

But for all that, it does not matter. channel ports were being threatened beyond belief, the announcement that and the steel of the enemy was pointed at our hearts.

"It is autumn. The capital of Turkey is now almost within gunfire of to be expected. It was accepted as our ships. Austria is shattered and one of the acts in the great tragedy broken. The kaiser and the crown prince have abdicated. (Prince Maximilian's decree said that the kaiser had decided to abdicate). A successor has not been found and a regency about to be broken to pieces on the has been proclaimed.

This is judgment—the greatest judgment in the world." a choice today, but will have none tomorrow. She has been ruined inside and outside.

"An army and an armament, forci- response to the German bly created," continued the premier, 'are now hardly an army or an armament at all. Abdication was only part of the way. The great general staff wanted something more than a decree London, Nov. 9 .- (British wireless Germany mobilized to frighten us is by Prince Maximilian sent broadcast when it is faced by ruin, and can get out only by immediate surrender. "Germany may continue to increase

the volume of suffering she has already caused. She may possibly resist little longer. But the longer she resists the more quickly will her cities become as the fair lands she has so wantonly devastated. "There will be just terms that will

"We have no designs on the German people, but we meant to secure beyond all doubt the freedom of our people. The recklessness that placed the world flag of surrender appears. in such awful agony must expect stern

prevent such wantonness again. We'

reckoning "When the conditions were considered, all the representative parts of the empire were consulted. For years we have had a great brotherhood of suffering; we are now going to have a great brotherhood of joy."

BIG DAMAGE IS DONE BY FLOODED STREAMS IN TEXAS

Dallas, Texas, Nov. 9.-Flood waters in the Brazos and Trinity rivers and their tributaries were reported reced-"The victory for which many nad ing tonight and the crest of the flood with confidence. The first thought was hoped has not been granted to us. But in the Trinity, which has caused thous- that with the promulgation of the ands of dollars of damage to railroad and electric lines, city stre county roads and farm lands through- structions that the armistice envoyed new strength for the hard time which out north Texas, probably will pass waiting within the allied lines accept faces us and on which you also can Dallas during the night with a stage at once and bring hostilities to an end. of forty feet. The streams were flooded by 48 hours of almost unprecedented rains over north central Texas.

BOLL WEEVIL DISCOVERED

Charleston, S. C., Nov. 9 .- The boll weevil has been discovered in Charles- chancellor's decree proclaiming the abon county, the insect and the eggs hav- dication decision and renunciation of ing been identified by J. A. Burley, of the throne by the crown price was the entomology division of Clemson received here first late this afternoon

"Has the Armistice Been Signed?" Is Question Asked Everywhere.

So Far As Government Knew Late Last Night Germany Had Not Acted.

Longer Germany Resists the Kaiser's Abdication Will Not Affect Peace Efforts.

> Washington, Nov. 9.—The tremendous news from Germany ington with scarcely more than

a ripple of interest. "I have no news for you," said the Everywhere the question was asked, "Has the armistice been signed?" So far as the Amerthat the German answer to enable them to cross the lines. Owing Marshal Foch could not be ex-

To members of the government and diplomats who, a few short weeks ago would have been amazed and gratified William II had bowed before the will of the world was accepted as a thing surprising now only, perhaps, because it was enacted before instead of after the capitulation of the war machine western front. There was no statement from the white house or from "Germany," said the premier, "has other government sources. President Wilson, whose demand "autocracy must peace, was waiting. He wanted to know who follows the kaiser, and by wireless to prove that the kaiser

and his power actually have gone. ed was that whatever might happen within Germany at this late date could make no difference in the military program of the allied and American governments. There will be no modification of the surrender armistice terms which Marshal Foch has given the will do no wrong if we abandon no Germans until 11 o'clock Monday morning to accept or reject, and unless the acceptance is forthcoming the uninterrupted advance of the victorious

armies will continue until the white Military men as well as civilian officials and diplomatic observers regard acceptance of the armistice terms harsh as the Germans may deem them, as inevitable. Knowledge that the army is beaten and soon must retreat across its own borders, probably to join in revolution at home, is regarded as certain to force the most obstinate among the enemy to yield within the

time allowed. As to the effect of the kaiser's decision upon the speed with which the German reply might be sent to Marshal Foch, no one was prepared to speak chancellor's decree the courier prob-But it was recegnized as a possibility that the socialists, apparently taking the reins laid down by the war lords, might attemps to make their ascen-dency the basis of another appeal for IN CHARLESTON COUNTY discussion of modifications in the sur-

render conditions. The wireless message quoting the