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GERMANY'S ANSWER TO AMERICAN NOTE

PROTESTS AGAINST PRESIDENT WILSON'S REFERENCE TO THEIR ILLEGAL AND INHUMANE ACTS. GERMANY PROPOSES THAT THE FACTS BE CLEARED UP BY NEUTRAL COMMISSIONS. HAS CURTAILED ACTIVITIES OF SUBMARINES AND CLAIMS TO HAVE ADOPTED A NEW CONSTITUTION

Germany hopes the United States will approve of no demand which would be irreconciliable with the honor of the German people and with the opening of the way to a peace of justice.

Germany protests against the references of President Wilson to illegal and inhumane acts. Denial is made that the German navy purposely destroyed lifeboats with passengers. The government proposes that the facts be cleared up by neutral commissions.

Germany has despatched orders to submarine commanders precluding the torpedoing of passenger ships.

The German government suggests to President Wilson that an opportunity be brought about for fixing the details of the evacuation of occupied territorties.

Change German Constitution

Announcement is made of a fundamental change in the German constitution providing for representation of the people in the decisions concerning peace and war, and it is said the present government has been formed in complete accordance therewith.

Germany claims the sanction of international law for carrying out destruction of property during retreats, and says her troops are under strict instructions to spare private property and care for the population to the best of their ability. Where transgressions occur, the note says, the guilty are being punished.

No future German government will be able to take or hold office unless it possesses the confidence of a majority of the reichstag, the note announces.

Germany has agreed that conditions of an armistice should be left to the military advisers and that the actual standard of power on both sides in the field should form the basis for arrangements.

TEXT OF GERMAN NOTE

The text of the German note, as receive by wireless, is as follows:

"In accepting the proposal for an evacuation of occupied territories, the German government has started from the assumption that the procedure of this evacuation and of the conditions of an armistice should be left to the judgment of the military advisers and that the actual standard of power on both sides in the field has to form the basis for arrangements safeguarding and guaranteeing this standard.

"The German government suggests to the President that an opportunity should be brought about for fixing the details. It trusts that the President of the United States will approve of no demands which would be irreconciliable with the honor of the German people and with opening a way to a peace of justice.

"The German government protests against the reproach of illegal and inhumane actions made against the German land and sea forces and thereby against the German people. For the covering of a retreat destruction will always be necessary, and they are carried out in so far as is permitted by international law. The German troops are under most strict instructions to spare private property and to exercise care for the population to the best of their ability. Where transgressions occur in spite of these instructions the guilty are being punished.

Government Make Denial

"The German government denies that the German navy in sinking ships has ever purposely destroyed lifeboats with their passengers. The German government proposes with regard to all those charges that the facts be cleared up by neutral commissions.

"In order to avoid anything that might hamper the work of peace, the German government has caused orders to be despatched to all submarine commanders precluding the torpedoing of passenger ships without, however, for technical reasons, being able to guarantee that these orders will reach every single submarine at sea before its return.

"As a fundamental condition for peace the President prescribes the destruction of every arbitrary power that can separately, secretly and of its own single choice disturb the peace of the world. To this the German government replies:

"Hitherto the representation of the people in the German empire has not been endowed with an influence on the formation of the government.

"The constitution did not provide for a concurrence of representation of the people in the decisions of peace and war. These conditions have just now undergone a fundamental change. A new government has been formed in complete accordance with the wishes (principle?) of the representation of the people, based on equal, universal, direct franchise.

Confidence of Reichstag

"The leaders of the great parties of the reichstag are members of this government. In the future no government can take or continue in office without possessing the confidence of a majority of the reichstag.

"The responsibility of the chancellor of the empire to the representation of the people is being legally developed and safeguarded. The first act of the new government has been to lay before the reichstag a bill to alter the constitution of the empire so that the consent of the representation of the people is required for decisions on war and peace.

The permanence of the new system is, however, guaranteed not only by constitutional safeguards, but also by the unshakable determination of the German peoples whose vast majority stands behind these reforms and demand their energetic continuance.

"The question of the President with whom he and the governments associated against Germany are dealing—is therefore answered in a clear, unequivocal manner by the statement that the offer of peace and an armistice has come from a government which is free from any arbitrary and irreponsible power, is supported by the approval of an overwhelming majority of the German people.

("Signed) SOLF."

NORTH CAROLINIANS IN THE CASUALTY LIST

Killed in action—George Stewart, Mocksville.

Died of disease—G. W. Simmons, Zebulon.

Wounded severely—J. M. Nichols, Salisbury; D. H. Benson, Smithfield; T. C. Matthews, Turkey; O. A. Williams, Eagle Springs.

Wounded (degree undetermined)—Larry Clay, Black Creek.

Marine corps casualties:

Killed in action—Charles Wood, Durham.

Died of wounds—F. N. Cox, Grassy Creek.

Reported October 18.

Killed in action—C. F. Lane, Winston-Salem; E. A. Mayo, Selma.

Died of disease—J. W. Shepherd, Leatherman; A. L. Puett, Warne.

Wounded severely—Walter Swanner, Washington; W. T. McGinnis, Gastonia.

Wounded (degree undetermined)—Nick Bradley, Cherokee; Sidney Carroll, Goldsboro; Robert Bivins, Marvin.

Reported Oct. 19.

Died of wounds—I. C. Phillips, Bear Creek.

Wounded severely—W. H. Springs, Marshall; Dillard Stanley, Crutchfield; C. D. Fentress, Mariabel.

Wounded (degree undetermined)—R. L. Mallory, Mocksville; Frank Joyner, Fremont.

Missing in action—Evander Hickman, Lumberton.

Marine corps casualties:

Missing in action—William E. Batting, Wilson.

Reported Oct. 20.

Killed in action—W. A. Dry Richfield; E. H. Rierson, King; H. A. Williams, Roxboro.

Died of wounds—C. L. Drewett, Seaboard; E. L. Walton, Beulahville.

Died of disease—F. M. Vestal, Waxhaw; V. H. Saintsing, Warren Plains; G. W. Stevenson, Weeksville.

Wounded severely—D. R. Roark, Ashland; J. N. Neal, Louisburg.

Missing in action—William Reece, Hickory.

Reported October 21.

Killed in action—J. T. Cox, Winterville.

Died of wounds—W. B. Melton, Caroleen.

Wounded severely—J. S. Faircloth, Fayetteville; W. R. Minish, Lenoir; P. J. Parrish, Durham; E. G. Yates, Raleigh.

Missing in action—B. M. High, Sims.

Reported October 22.

Killed in action—Thomas Vaughn, Madison.

Died of disease—G. W. Rector, Mt. Airy; W. F. Brothers, Elizabeth City; John Brown, Speeds; L. D. Round, Franklin.

Wounded slightly—E. C. Hooker, Mount Airy; S. Q. Eure, Eure.

Wounded (degree undetermined)—C. N. Watson, Winton.

Missing in action—J. R. McRae, Louisburg.

MARSHAL DORTCH DEAD

Chief Deputy Wooley Approved as His Successor Ad Interim—S. M. Brinson Succeeds Dortch as Candidate for Congress

Col. W. T. Dortch, who died last week from acute Bright's disease, is to be succeeded by Chief Deputy W. T. Wooley as ad iterim marshal for the eastern district of North Carolina. The Democratic executive committee of the third congressional district has named as a candidate for Congress Mr. S. M. Brinson, of Pender county, to succeed Mr. Dortch.

Mr. B. A. Brown's Store Burglarized

On last Friday night the store belonging to Mr. B. A. Brown on North street, was burglarized. Shirts, hats, twelve umbrellas, hosiery, cuff buttons, two suits of clothing and a number of toboggins were missing. The money drawer had been opened and four cents stolen. Some of the goods was found between the gravel road and the copper mine, north of Asheboro.

High Point Family Wiped Out by Influenza

The entire family of Mr. Ed Bryant, a well known citizen of High Point was wiped out by influenza last week. His daughter, 26 years of age, was laid to rest on Wednesday; Mrs. Bryant was buried the following day, and Mr. Bryant passed away on Saturday.

BELGIAN COAST CLEARED OF HUNS

FIFTEEN THOUSAND GERMAN SOLDIERS INTERNED IN HOLLAND—ALLIED ARMIES SWEEPING TOWARD THE RHINE

Following the capture of Ostend, Bruges, and other Belgian ports, which had been held by the Huns since 1914, the Belgian coast was cleared of Huns and occupied by the armies of the Allies late last week. Late in the week, King Albert and Queen Elizabeth entered Ostend with the victorious armies.

Saturday, Allied troops were reported to be pressing closely after the retiring Germans on a front of more than 120 miles from the North Sea to the Oise river. On the north, the British, French, and Belgians were approaching Ghent; in the center, the British were marching on Tournai; and the British, French and Americans north of the Oise were threatening the railway lines south of Valenciennes. West of the Meuse, the Americans have improved their positions.

On Sunday, came the report that fifteen thousand German soldiers driven to the Dutch border by the advancing armies of the Allies, had crossed over into Holland and been interned.

It has been reported that the Germans have even begun the evacuation of Brussels.

The news came on Tuesday that the British were entering the important town of Valenciennes, and its fall is a matter of only a short time.

The Kaiser's forces in Syria have disappeared by death or capture, and the British army is about to cut into the Berlin-Bagdad railway at Aleppo.

Since the middle of July, the German armies in France and Belgium have been outgeneraled and outfought at every point, the Hindenburg line has been battered to pieces in many places; and along the different fighting fronts, the Germans have lost 5,000 heavy guns, 30,000 machine guns, 300,000 men captured, and twice as many dead on the field of battle.

The German war machine is fast collapsing, and there is great reason to hope the end of the war is in sight. The Kaiser is suing for a peace talk and vainly hoping to save himself from the fearful wreck into which he has brought his country.

UNITED WAR WORK IN RANDOLPH COUNTY

As is generally known the week from November 11th to November 18th is set aside for the campaign of the United War Work. The purpose of this campaign is to raise funds to support the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Jewish Relief, Knights of Columbus, Salvation Army, Army Library Fund and all other organizations except the Red Cross, that are interested and instrumental in bettering the condition of our boys while in camp and in the trenches. Both army and government officials are of one accord in saying that the above organizations are among the most important in the proper and successful prosecution of the war. Every dollar that is spent by these organizations is spent for the comfort and pleasure of our soldier boys. There is nothing appropriated by the government for the support of any of these organizations. We are sorry that we have not the space necessary to go into details and tell you a number of the admirable things that they are doing both in camp and overseas. They are furnishing the boys all of their different forms of recreation and amusement. Every letter that they write home is written on paper furnished without charge by the Y. M. C. A.

Randolph county's quota, that is to be raised in the coming campaign, is $6,025. This amount will be proportioned among the townships according to the number of individuals and taxpayers in each township. There is a chairman already appointed in every township. They will, within a short time, perfect their different organizations, and call upon you to assist them in raising the quota that is allotted to your township. We want to urge, therefore, that everyone in the county earnestly endeavor to raise the above amount and as much more as we can. You can never spend your money in any way, that will add more to the comfort of those who are offering their lives to their country, and to an early, successful and glorious termination of the war.

Major Wade Phillips Promoted to Judge Advocate

News of the promotion of Major Wade H. Phillips, of the 120th infantry, 30th division, has reached Asheboro. Major Phillips is no longer with the battalion but has been promoted to judge advocate and is located at Tours in France. He is an instructor in some line of military affairs. The town in which he is now is an historic old place and is very pleasantly situated.

Ellis Bean

A quiet home wedding was solemnized on the evening of October 19th at the home of the bride's parents, when Miss Allie Bean became the bride of Mr. Benton Ellis. Rev. J. A. Ledbetter officiated and only a few relatives and friends were present. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bean, of Randleman, and is an attractive young lady. Mr. Ellis is a prosperous young farmer of Millboro. They will make their home at Millboro.

MEETING OF BOARD OF HEALTH OCTOBER 23RD

At a meeting of the Board of Health of Randolph county on October the 23rd, 1918, it ordered that the order of October 15th be continued in force until the 25th day of November, 1918, unless further notice, except barber shops are allowed to open from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m. but no more than can be waited on are allowed in the shop at one time. No congregating to be allowed on the premises.

This the 23rd day of October, 1918.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF RANDOLPH COUNTY.

W. L. WARD, Chairman.

RALEIGH LETTER

(By Maxwell Gorman.)

Raleigh, Oct. 21.—Democrats here all approve of the calling together of the Third district committee at Goldsboro today where they will name a candidate (most probably S. M. Brinson, of Craven) for Congress to succeed W. T. Dortch, deceased. No party man that I have seen favored leaving the road clear to Mr. Abernethy, largely because of his course since Mr. Dortch defeated him in the primary.

There was expression on the part of several of the most prominent Democrats here to the effect that Congressman Hood should be named, provided he had fully recovered his health. But it is stated here by some who are presumed to know, that Mr. Hood has not sufficiently recovered to warrant the committee in naming him as the candidate to succeed himself. His state of health is the only thing that stands in his way, and his friends deeply sympathize with him.

As to the U. S. Marshalship left vacant by the death of Col. Dortch, that is a Presidential appointment, and the right man will be appointed in due course. There are two or three "aspirants" in the field who are not generally considered very big timber, and the concensus of opinion here today is that the probable appointee's name is not figuring in the publicity game at this writing.

In the meantime the Marshal's office will be in charge of the chief deputy, W. T. Wooley, who was today authorized by the Attorney General at Washington to do so. Mr. Wooley states that all deputies will be notified at once to continue their duties.

Teachers Must Be Paid

State Superintendent of Education Joyner and Attorney General Manning have settled the question (as to its legality, at least) of whether the teachers in the public schools shall be paid during the enforced closing of the schools. They say they should and must be paid, and every school board in North Carolina is expected to see that they are all paid, and without reduction of any sort—for the average pay of the school teacher these days is too little at best. Closing the schools did not stop the teachers' cost of living and they must meet their bills as usual.

Killed the Chauffer

A white man named H. L. Smith, of this county, shot a negro motor truck driver died here Saturday evening. He threw bullets into the negro's body and the latter fell dead after running into the wholesale store where he was employed. Smith claims that the negro tried to run his machine over him and cursed him (Smith) when he spoke to him about it. Smith is in jail and will have to stand trial for murder. People here who have witnessed the "cussedness" of some of the truck drivers have been expecting somebody to kill a few of them for some time.

TREATMENT FOR PERSONS DEVELOPING HOW TO PREVENT SPREADING THE DISEASE

Go to bed.

Take a purgative medicine.

Call a physician as early in the morning as possible. They cannot work night and day and hold out long.

Do not delay your own treatment until the physician's arrival, as he will be very busy. After taking purgative medicine, follow it with proper doses of quinine and asperin, which may be repeated every two or three hours until several doses have been taken.

Keep the sick room warm, but not too warm—Prevent all drafts but allow lots of fresh air.

Attendants upon those having this disease should wear a strip of cloth across the nose and mouth which is moist with a germicide.

As far as possible, isolate in the home all cases of the disease.

The Patient should remain in bed a day or two after all fever has left. Returning too soon to work is conducive to the development of pneumonia.

After recovery, avoid [illegible] should not [illegible] of sylhe [illegible] avoid exposure to cold. Avoid [illegible] offer [illegible]

When you sneeze or cough, hold a handkerchief over the mouth. Promiscuous spitting should be avoided.

Died in Camp

Mrs. Lee Lambert, of Asheboro Route 3, received a message from Camp Sevier, yesterday afternoon, saying that her son, Charles Lambert, had died of influenza. The young man had been in camp about two months.

NATION GOES OVER THE TOP IN LOAN

COUNTRY SUBSCRIBES ENTHUSIASTICALLY TO THE FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN—RANDOLPH COUNTY SUBSCRIBES MORE THAN FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS

It will require some time yet to tabulate all the figures on the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign, but it is known at the country has more than gone over the top. People all over the country responded with the greatest enthusiasm and in spite of the epidemic of Spanish influenza, the campaign in some ways the greatest success of any.

Randolph county has subscribed a total of $492,300. Of this amount, the Bank of Randolph sold bonds to the amount of $100,000; the First National Bank, of Asheboro, $85,000; the Bank of Liberty, $21,500; the Peoples Bank, of Randleman, $24,500; the Bank of Ramseur $111,900. Chairman Craven estimates that Randolph citizens have subscribed through Thomasville, High Point and Greensboro banks to the amount of $60,000, making the total above. Asheboro's quota was $150,000, but the two banks here have sold bonds to the amount of $185,000; the Peoples Bank of Randleman sold more than its quota; and the Bank of Ramseur sold two and one half times its quota, which was $40,500. Coleridge and Franklinville are also more than "over the top."

Of the total subscriptions in Randolph, the woman's committee secured the amount of $142,000.

County chairman I. F. Craven, of Ramseur, wishes to express his appreciation to the loyal citizens of the county for their co-operation in the campaign.

INFLUENZA SITUATION IMPROVING IN COUNTY

The latest reports are that the influenza situation throughout the country is improving somewhat, though it is serious in many places yet.

In Randolph county, the situation is decidedly better. There have been in all about eight hundred cases. The number of deaths the past week has considerably decreased, in fact very few have been reported the past three or four days.

Conditions in Asheboro are much better. There are still a number of cases, but few considered serious.

In Tabernacle township, where there was so much of the disease a few days ago, there is a great deal of improvement.

There is no influenza in Liberty, but a few cases nearby.

Franklinville has had several cases, but none are expected to prove fatal.

There are no cases at Pisgah.

There is influenza in about four families at Ramseur, but there have been no new cases for the last three or four days.

There is little improvement in the situation at Randleman. There are numbers of cases there. Drs. Wilkerson and Fox are confined to their homes by the disease.

Mrs. J. F. Miller Dies In Columbia

News of the death of Mrs. J. F. Miller was received in Asheboro the first of the week. Mrs. Miller was visiting her mother in Columbia, S. C., when she was stricken with influenza which later developed into pneumonia and resulted in death. Dr. Miller and other relatives were present when the end came.

Mrs. Miller made numbers of friends in Asheboro during the few years she and Dr. Miller resided here, and all mourn the passing of a lovely woman.

Mr. Noah Smitherman Dead

Mr. Noah Smitherman died at his home in Troy last Sunday afternoon from influenza and pneumonia. The funeral was held Monday, services conducted by Rev. Mr. Gross, of the M. E. church.

The deceased is survived by his wife and three small children, his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Smitherman, three brothers, and two sisters.

Died

Mrs. Florence Warden, wife of Mr. Ralph A. Warden, of Rocky Ford, Colorado, and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Smith, of Denton, died at Boylass hospital, San Antonio, Texas, October 12. Mrs. Warden had been called to the bedside of her husband who was critically ill of measles and pneumonia at Camp Travis, and while there contracted Spanish influenza and pneumonia. The body was brought back to Denton and burial in the cemetery of Denton Baptist church, October 19.

Former Randolph Man Dies in Greensboro

Robert Vance Allred died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Allred, near Randleman, on Friday morning, October 18, after a long illness from tuberculosis. Deceased was born in Randolph county, but had been living in Greensboro for ten years. He is survived by his wife and three small children; also his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Allred, of Randolph county, two brothers, W. S. Allred, of Burlington, and Elisha Allred, of High Point; and four sisters, Miss Maud Allred, of Greensboro; Mrs. C. A. Crotts, of Siler City; Mrs. J. E. Allen, of Randleman; Mrs. D. C. Nelson, of Millboro.

HOW TO PREPARE CHRISTMAS PACKAGES FOR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS ABROAD

Parcels for Army Men Must Be Placed in Cardboard Boxes—Only One Allowed to Each Soldier

One parcel will be accepted by the Army Department through the Red Cross for each soldier overseas.

Each soldier will be provided with one Christmas parcel label. **This label will be forwarded by him to the person in the United States from whom he wishes to receive his Christmas package. Packages that do not bear this label will not be accepted by the Red Cross for delivery to the post office authorities. Labels that are lost will not be duplicated.**

Christmas parcels must be placed in cardboard boxes, 3 by 4 by 9 inches in size. These boxes will be provided to holders of labels, by the American Red Cross. They may be obtained at Red Cross chapters or branches after November 1.

With each box will be given complete instruction regarding the articles which may be sent, and a list of articles which are barred by the postal authorities. Study these instructions and avoid mistakes. No message or written material of any kind will be allowed to go in the boxes. When the boxes are packed, but unwrapped, they must not weigh more than two pounds 15 ounces. If the parcel is overweight, some article must be removed.

Do not put perishable food, soft candy, liquids, or anything in glass containers in the package if you wish it to reach its destination with the other contents unspoiled.

Do not mail the box yourself. When packed, the box should be taken to the nearest collection station designated by the Red Cross, unsealed, and unwrapped, ready for inspection. Red Cross representatives are authorized to remove objectionable articles from parcels. Shippers will then affix sufficient postage on their parcels to carry them to Hoboken, N. J. Parcel post zone rates will be charged. The parcels are to remain in custody of the Red Cross until delivered to the postal authorities.

No Christmas parcel will be accepted by the Red Cross for shipment after November 20. Keep this fact in mind when planning a Merry Christmas for the boys "over there."

COMMUNITY FAIRS INDEFINITELY POSTPONED

County agent, D. S. Coltrane, who is the director of the Community Fairs for this county has decided it wise to announce the indefinite postponement of the four Community Fairs which are to be held in the county. **While they are indefinitely postponed it is hoped that the situation caused by influenza will improve so that these fairs can be held about the last of November. Mr. Coltrane considers that if the situation is improved that this will really be a better time to hold the fairs than the present month. At the last of November the farmers are through with their work so that more can have a chance to attend. Farmers are asked to prepare for the fair for it is anticipated that these fairs will all be held even though it might be in December.**

The official premium list of these fairs will be off the press the last of this week, and be mailed out to the people in reach of these fairs. Any one desiring one of these should write the county agent if they have not received one by the last of next week.

Tractor Demonstration Arranged for These Fairs

Mr. Coltrane has just completed arrangements for the demonstration of the Cleveland caterpillar tractor at all of these fairs. The Fordson will also be demonstrated. The Clevland will also be demonstrated in Asheboro in the course of a few weeks. Arrangements are being made for a demonstration of the New Hart Parr tractor, which is the kind used in scraping the roads of the county. Farmers who anticipate buying a tractor for use next spring should now be investigating for they should place their orders a good while before they want the tractor.

Otis Osborne Dies in Camp

Private Otis A. Osborne died of Spanish influenza at Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga., last Friday. The body was brought back to his home in Back Creek township and the funeral and burial were at Bethany church yesterday.

Private Osborne was a son of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Osborne, who lived at Worthville a number of years but for the past few years have been living near the county home. He was a brother of Miss Daisy Osborne, who was at one time a teacher in the Asheboro graded schools and has often visited in town.

In addition to parents and sister, the deceased is survived by the following brothers: Messrs. Fred Osborne, of Chicago, Gaston Osborne, of Iowa; Coach Osborne, of Georgia; and Crowell Osborne, of Virginia.

Private Osborne went to camp in August with an enrollment of Randolph men.

Holland-Nixon

Mr. J. W. Holland, of High Point, and Miss Pearl Nixon, of near Randleman, were married at the residence of Rev. W. A. Way, the officiating minister, Sunday afternoon.

There are said to 200,000 cases of Spanish influenza in Buenos Aires, Argentina.