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## POLITICS BACK OF MUTINY PUBLICITY

THE BRITISH PRESS IS VERY SKEPTICAL ABOUT WASHING THE GERMAN NAVAL LINEN BEFORE THE WORLD.

## SCHEME TO MAINTAIN BALANCE OF POWER

London, Oct. 12.—More fragmentary details of the German naval mutiny and phrases from German foreign secretary Huhmann's recent Reichstag "war aims" speech brought the conviction to the British press and public that the "junkers" were again firmly fixed in power in Berlin.

London now regards Von Capelle's announcement in the Reichstag as "camouflage" under which the "junkers" dealt a political knockout, for the present at least, to the log-rolling liberal element.

The London Evening Star editorially says, "we are very skeptical of the suspiciously sudden passion for washing dirty linen in the Reichstag. Prussians are cunning but they are clumsy. If they knew that deputies really caused the mutiny there would have been a secret courtmartial, and, on a good night, a firing squad. The whole thing smacks of a political maneuver intended to strengthen the military party on the one hand and assist the German peace offensive on the other."

## DE BRULE FARM SALE THURSDAY

The home place of Mr. Geo. W. DeBrule on the old Tarboro road has been cut into small farm tracts ranging from 60 acres to 85 acres and will be sold at auction next Tuesday, Oct. 16th at 10:30 A. M. by the Atlantic Coast Realty Co.

The terms have been made very easy—1-3 cash, balance in 1, 2 and 3 years. That is cheaper than rent money.

The DeBrule farm has several tenant houses and one 10 room dwelling, a beautiful country home, and is well worth your investigation. Go out today or some time before the sale day and see how the farm has been cut.

The publicity representatives of the Company, Mr. Wilson and Mr. McKennon, at Scotland Neck will be glad to show you a plat of the farm.

A big dinner will be served free at this sale, and music furnished by our All Star Band.

The ladies are especially invited to attend.

## SMALL RISK FROM U-BOATS

(By United Press) Washington, Oct. 12.—Out of thirty three per cent of the cost of the government insurance is covered the risk for the crews that traverse the U-boat zone which is taken as evidence that the effectiveness of the submarine is waning.

## FAIR OPENS OCTOBER 30.

The Coastal Plain Fair, which formerly was known as the Edgecombe county fair, but which has been renamed because of the co-operation of all the counties around Edgecombe, particularly Halifax, Martin, Pitt, Greene, Wilson and Nash counties, all of which will have representative exhibits, will open on Tuesday, October 30 and continue through to Friday, November 2.

The response to the call of the secretary by the eight or nine counties interested in this fair has been extremely encouraging, and if this is continued throughout the next two weeks, other fairs will have to go a long way to equal this one that we call our own.

The officers and managers in charge have made great preparations for a large exhibit of farm and garden produce, as well as providing special and increased space for the canning department. A new building has been erected to take care of the larger exhibits that are expected.

The premium list covers everything that could possibly come from the farm or the garden, and this extends to live stock in more emphatic degree.

Fine arts have not been forgotten and a liberal premium list is allowed in this department, as well as in the juvenile department for the best cooking, preserving, sewing, mechanics and the first treatise on geology.

The innovation this year is striking in its endeavor to make this fair one that every person can take an individual interest in. It is not a one man made fair, but a fair for all people, young and old, who wish to see what is being done in other sections, and to see how his neighbor lives.

## JAPAN MUST ALSO FIGHT

Tokio, Oct. 12.—The allies are insisting upon Japon's participation in the war with men and fighting ships, according to "Midair" who writes for the Nichi Japanese newspapers, his article being published in this organ as practically official.

The American embargo on steel, he asserts, was adopted for the specific purpose of backing up the allies' demand upon Japan to send troops, and the greatest Japanese naval participation, after the fall of Riga, but was not able to move Japanese authorities.

The writer also declared that the entente has asked Japan to send an expedition into European waters, but in reply Japan has explained that such mobilization is impracticable.

## GRECIAN KING AT ST. MORITZ LIKELY RUPTURE BETWEEN TEUTON

(By UNITED PRESS) At an Atlantic Port, Oct. 12.—Former King Constantine of Greece is living quietly with his family at St. Moritz, Switzerland, according to a statement made by American minister to Switzerland, Pleasant A. Stovall, who has just arrived here.

(By UNITED PRESS) London, Oct. 12.—Reports that the Kaiser is now at Sofia has aroused further speculation in the reported friction between Bulgaria and Germany. King Ferdinand, it is rumored, is insisting upon peace at any price.

## MAYO BACK FROM EUROPE

(By UNITED PRESS) At an Atlantic Port, Oct. 12.—Rear Admiral Mayo, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet, arrived here after an inspection tour of the American fleet in European waters. He expressed himself as enthusiastic over the appearance of the men, their achievements and the spirit with which they face arduous as well as dangerous tasks. The morale of the seamen is par excellence.

## LOAN ATTRACTS MEN IN CAMP

(By United Press.) Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C., Oct. 12.—Soldiers of the 30 divisions here subscribed \$775,000 to the Liberty Loan and it is expected that soon the camp will reach the allotment of \$1,500,000.

## LUXBORG CAUGHT OBSCURE RANCH

(By Chas. P. Stewart.) (United Press Staff Correspondent.) Buenos Aires, Oct. 12.—How Count von Luxborg, the dismissed German envoy, was forcibly searched and disarmed, after he had been discovered hiding on an obscure Uruguayan ranch, is the information just received here. Luxborg is now under heavy guard enroute back to Buenos Aires.

## SNOW THREATENS FIFTH GAME

(By UNITED PRESS) Chicago, Ill., Oct. 12.—The fifth games of the world series is scheduled here tomorrow and may be played in snow shoes. Snow fell last night and the weather report for tomorrow states "unsettled tomorrow."

## LABOR PARTY FIGHT H. C. L.

(By United Press.) Buenos Aires, Oct. 12.—Latin-American Federations of Labor met today at Santiago, Chile, to consider ways and means of meeting the high cost of living.

## IRON CROSS FOR LOOTING

(By Henry Wood.) With the French Armies Afild, Oct. 12.—Documents recently taken from German prisoners indicate that the famous iron cross, over 2,000,000 of which have been distributed by the Kaiser since the beginning of the war, is now given, not only for bravery, but for exceptional ability in looting and destroying French villages and farms.

Strange nobody has yet suggested a breakfast-foodless day.

## THIRD ASSAULT IN PAST EIGHT DAYS

GENERAL HAIG'S FORCES CONTINUE TO BATTER THE ENEMY BACK FROM POINT TO POINT IN FLANDERS.

## GERMANS APPEAR TO BE DISORGANIZED

(By Wm. Phillip Simms. (Written for the United Press.) With the British Armies Afild, in Flanders, Oct. 12.—All first objectives were taken this morning in the early hours of another tremendous British drive, which was achieved despite the fearful state of the ground and literally an ocean of mud, through which the advancing Tommies wallowed and almost swam.

began another offensive early today over the slime and mud of Flanders.

General Haig in a short report this morning states: "North east of Ypres we attacked over a front of six miles at 5:25 this morning with satisfactory progress. "There was rain during the night but this did not make conditions any worse than they were yesterday."

Presumably this is the third British offensive in eight days against the enemy lines which General Haig's forces has already battered back from around Poelcapelle beyond Passchendaele ridge to beyond Gheluvelt.

London, Oct. 12.—British troops

## MEETING CONSIDERS TOBACCO MARKET

ENTHUSIASTIC GATHRERING OF FARMERS AND MERCHANTS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON DISCUSS ESTABLISHING WAREHOUSE IN SCOTLAND NECK.

## COMMITTEES ASKED TO COMPLETE PLANS

## LAFOLLETTE TO MAKE DEFENCE

Washington, Oct. 12.—Senator LaFollette has been summoned to open his defense against disloyalty charges at a meeting to be held here of the investigating committee next Friday. Senator LaFollette will probably be followed on the stand by former secretary of state, William Jennings Bryan.

A gathering of earnest farmers of this section and merchants of Scotland Neck met yesterday afternoon at 3:30 to consider the advisability of establishing a tobacco market in Scotland Neck for the next year, and to hear the reports of the committees appointed at the former meeting to enquire into cost and available sites.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Henry Clark.

Mr. Sam A. Dunn, as chairman, made a report that he had gone fully into the matter of establishing two warehouses here and found that the plan was entirely feasible, provided the quantity of tobacco was planted that was anticipated. He thought that the farmers should be given an opportunity of coming in, and that they would gladly do so if a committee was appointed to interview them.

## COMMISSIONERS MET LAST NIGHT

Considerable, though only routine, business was transacted last night at the commissioners meeting, there being but two petitions, one from Mr. Perry for a light near his house on Church street, one at the end of Roanoke street, and an application for increased pay for the city cart.

Another report was submitted endorsing the report of Mr. Dunn and stated that the rest of the committee had made an independent investigation. That the cost of two warehouses, built of brick a dry and prize house, would approximate \$50,000, this giving two warehouses built in the most approved manner with a floor space each of 80 feet by 200 feet; the dry house being equipped with the necessary machinery.

The commissioners endorsed the mayor's action in refusing a license to the Demorest Stock Company to show in a tent next week in view of the fact that the crops are exceedingly late, and also that at this time of national crisis it is deemed inadvisable to admit these class of shows.

After considerable discussion it was determined to appoint a committee to see the farmers of the section before the meeting called for Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 at which time all other matters would be thrashed out so that an organization could be effected.

By motion the clerk was instructed to make application to the postoffice department, through the local postmaster, for the carrier service, which was recently suggested by the postoffice department, and in doing so agreeing to conform to the requirements of the department.

This committee comprised Mr. Sam A. Dunn, chairman, Messrs. Peyton Keel, G. K. Moore and Jarl E. Bowers.

The swinging of gates on the inside, instead of over the streets will be effective on Monday next and thereafter will be enforced if there are any who have not complied with the ordinance governing same.

A further committee to obtain subscriptions comprised Mr. Ed. Walston, chairman, and Messrs. J. H. Alexander, Jr., J. Arrington Kitchin, Sam A. Dunn, O. J. Moore and Lewis Lucas.

Letters and telegrams were read from the concerns who are to supply the street tractor and road machine that all the new equipment has been shipped and should be here by the end of next week, provided there is no particular delay in freight handling.

It was then agreed by vote that the denomination of the stock should be \$25.00 per share.

The attention of the board was called to the disposition of automobile traffic ordinances, and while it is recognized the streets are not in good shape to observe the law strictly, there should be an endeavor on the part of the citizens to comply with same as far as possible for the sake of safety, and the matter was brought to the attention of the chief of police for his adjudication.

A suggestion was made to limit the amount of stock taken by any stockholders should be limited to \$500.00, but as this was considered impractical it was further suggested that each stockholder should have one vote, regardless of amount of stock held, and this appeared to meet the case as all would have an equal voice in the affairs of the company regardless of the amount of stock held.

The matter of observing the quarantine ordinance was then brought up but same was deferred for a special meeting to be held on Saturday to decide this pressing matter, notice of which will appear in the columns of The Commonwealth.

Before adjournment a further committee was appointed to notify other farmers and merchants who would be interested in the plan to attend the meeting on Wednesday next. This committee comprised Messrs. R. A. Phillips, S. A. Dunn and R. G. Shackell.

NO COTTON MARKET TODAY. This being Columbus Day the Cotton and other markets were closed.