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GERMANS WILL SIGN PRELIMINARY TREATY

CONTAINS FIFTEEN OR TWENTY CHAPTERS DEALING WITH EVERY PHASE OF THE WAR, RESPONSIBILITY AND INDEMNITY

HUTIN SAYS HUNS HAVE FULL POWERS

By Associated Press
Paris, May 2.—The Peace Treaty comprises from fifteen to twenty chapters, according to Marcel Hutin in the Echo de Paris. The preamble contains the first chapter, setting forth the reasons why various controlling parties entered the war, and mentioning the necessity for the League of Nations. The second chapter deals with the German frontiers and the third contains all the clauses connected with the alterations of frontiers resulting in the change in sovereignty of territory. The fourth sets forth military, naval and aerial clauses and the fifth takes up the disposition of the German colonies. It is said the other chapters are not yet completed. Hutin adds there is every reason to believe the German delegates have full powers and will end the negotiations by signing the preliminary treaty.

Paris, May 2.—The naval terms to be embodied in the Peace Treaty, which is finally completed, do not provide for the sinking of the larger German warships, the disposition of these vessels to be decided upon later by allied and associated powers.

WOMEN DOCTORS IN THE BALKANS

Nish, Serbia, May 1.—Fourteen American women doctors are now in the Balkans, assisting the American Red Cross in its work of caring for the sick and destitute. These doctors are from the American Women's Hospital at New York and are located in Serbia, Montenegro and Albania. Six are in Serbia where the destitute and sickness is greatest. Some of the fourteen have received decorations or have been cited for conspicuous service among the soldiers and refugees. They are: Dr. Marjorie Burnham, of Ashabula, Ohio; Dr. Mary H. Elliot of New York; Dr. Harriet M. Gervais, of Dorchester, Mass.; Dr. Alberta M. Greene, of Judith Bay, Montana; Dr. Lulu Peters, of New York; Dr. Marion Stevens of Reading, Mass.; Dr. Regina Flood Keyes, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Dr. Mabel Flood of Elmira, N. Y.; Dr. Catherine M. Cook, of Washington, Pa.

OFFICE GIRL DEMANDS "BALM"

Syracuse, N. Y., May 2.—Dr. John R. Flannigan, who was up to three years ago a practicing physician in this city, has been made defendant in a \$10,000 action for breach of promise of marriage brought by Miss Rachel Quinn, a handsome woman, who was formerly employed in his office. Dr. Flannigan is well along in the fifties, and Miss Quinn is young enough to be his daughter. She was engaged as the doctor's office assistant when a mere school girl. The complaint alleges the physician by protestation of love and affection and repeated offers of marriage won her heart and induced her to become engaged to him. All her friends she says, knew of her betrothal and of her devotion to her fiance, so that when he refused to marry her she says, she was subjected to humiliation and ridicule. She says she has always been willing to marry the doctor and that she is still ready to do so.

LEATHER IN GREAT DEMAND

Coblenz, May 1.—Among the Germans in the American occupied area, leather is nearly as greatly in demand as butter, bacon or soap. At Kesselheim, on the Moselle, recently a servant girl was held up at the point of a gun by a German man and compelled to take off her shoes and give them to him.

QUEEN MARIE GOES SHOPPING

London, May 1.—While in London Queen Marie of Rumania kept many appointments with dressmakers, milliners, furriers and tailors and purchased lace and glass, china, silver-ware, furniture and linen for her residences as well as lingerie and other personal adornments for herself and daughters. The Queen did her own shopping and showed that she had a keen eye for a bargain but most of her purchases were made to fill absolute needs because stocks had run so low in her own country during the war.

POLICE TAKE BOMBS FROM NEW YORK HOUSE

BIG HAULS OF RADICALS IN CONNECTION WITH THE "MAY DAY" CONSPIRACY IS EXPECTED TODAY

CABLE PEACE DELEGATES TO BEWARE

New York, May 2.—A large quantity of explosives, confiscated by the police and federal officers at a house in west forty-fifth street, is being examined at police headquarters today in connection with the investigation of the May Day bomb conspiracy. Officials stated that the house was raided last night by detectives.

LABOR PROBLEM SAFEGUARDED

Washington, May 2.—President Wilson cabled Secretary Tamm today that in his opinion the labor problem, adopted as part of the peace treaty, provides that labor is to be systematically and intelligently safeguarded and promoted.

COUNCIL READY FOR FINALS

Paris, May 2.—No formal program has been announced for today's session of the Council of Three but it is unofficially stated the meeting is being devoted to odds and ends and lesser details remaining to be put into shape for the final completion of the treaty.

NEGRO LYNCHED THIS MORNING

Warrenton, Ga., May 2.—The body of Henry Richards, negro, was riddled with bullets and the burned early today when he surrendered to a posse surrounding a swamp where he had taken refuge yesterday afternoon after murdering his wife and shooting at her sister and at a white man who tried to ascertain the trouble.

MOBILIZATION AGAINST SLAVS

Geneva, May 2.—The government of Carinthia has ordered the mobilization of twenty military regiments to arrest the invasion of German-Austria by Jugo-Slavs, according to dispatches received at Berne from reliable sources. The Jugo-Slavs are reported to

make a round up of the radicals here today in connection with the investigation into the nation-wide May Day conspiracy to kill prominent men with bombs addressed to them through the mail. It was reported that a cable has been sent to the members of the peace delegation in Paris warning them against opening packages, but it was declared however that nothing had been learned by investigation to indicate that any of these bombs had been sent abroad.

KING FERDINAND IN BUDAPESTH

Vienna, May 2.—King Ferdinand, accompanied by French generals, is about to enter Budapesth at the head of his troops, a Bucharest dispatch to the Nieu Frie Press says.

MANY INJURED IN MAY DAY DEMONSTRATION

Paris, May 2.—Two hundred and fifty policemen were injured and one seriously stabbed in the back, being in dangerous condition, during yesterday's May Day disorders, according to an announcement by the police at midnight. Apparently only one person was killed.

STREET URCHIN PRESIDENT GUARD

Montevideo, April 30.—One of the first acts of Dr. Baltasar Brum on assuming the presidency of Uruguay was to substitute a little street urchin for the brightly uniformed military guard that had been sent to his residence, in keeping with a custom of long standing. The boy used to sell lottery tickets and newspapers to Dr. Brum at the Central Railway station. Three years ago he told Dr. Brum "when you get to be president, I want to be your door keeper." Dr. Brum smiled at the prophecy and said if such a thing ever happened to him he would not forget the request. Just before his inauguration Dr. Brum sent for the boy and kept his promise. He is now only fifteen miles distant.

REPUBLICANS FIGHT LEAGUE OF NATIONS

SENATORS LODGE AND BRANDEGEE INSTIGATORS OF A SECRET MEETING HELD IN NEW YORK TO OPPOSE CONFIRMATION

34 OF "ROUND ROBIN" INCLUDED

276,372 LOSSES NOW REPORTED

Washington, May 2.—Including two casualty lists released today giving 344 names of army men the War Department reports that the total losses have reached 276,372 men which includes killed in action, died of wounds and disease, died from accident, wounded in action and missing. Today's report gives the names of six North Carolinians among casualties and one returned to duty having been previously reported lost at sea, as follows: Private Jerome Honeycutt, of Clinton was wounded slightly. Sergeants James Austin, of Charlotte and Miles I. Vestal, of Greensboro and Wagoner Zeb V. Johnson, of Smithfield were wounded slightly. Private John M. Withers, of Lillington was wounded to a degree undetermined, and was previously reported missing in action. Private Lawrence Palmer, of Lenoir has returned to duty after being lost at sea.

MUNICH HEARS GERMAN GUNS

Berne, May 2.—Artillery fire of the German government soldiers was audible in Munich and is creeping nearer, according to advices received from that city. Government is in control of railroad communication in the region. The Red Guards are reported to be demoralized and plundering the banks. Paris, May 2.—Bavarian government troops captured Munich from the communists, according to advices received here.

MAY ORGANIZE FINANCE CORP.

Messrs Gerson Hoffman and L. J. Baker were elected delegates for Halifax county at the N. C. Cotton Association meeting to attend the meeting in New Orleans from May 14 to 16 at which it is proposed to organize a Cotton Finance Corporation. This will be the most far reaching effort on the part of the cotton men yet attempted for the purpose is to establish a gigantic credit so that the sale of cotton may be sold direct to the foreign countries, such as Belgium and France, on long time paper.

Washington, May 2.—Interest in the League of Nations, from the Senatorial point of view, has been suddenly shifted to New York from Washington, to which city a number of important Republican Senators were summoned for a private and secret conference with their party leaders. The conference was called, it is said, for the purpose of solidifying Republican opposition to the League Covenant and to hold in line such recognized Republican stalwarts as Chairman Will Hays, Charles E. Hughes, W. R. Wilcox, Elihu Root, William Barnes and a number of others.

An unofficial poll of the Senate which was completed by opponents of the League shows 34 Republicans still in the fight against the League, it is claimed. These 34 were all signers of the "round robin" and it is said will oppose the League to the end. They are: Lodge, Curtis, Frelinghuysen, Brandegee, Knox, Keyes, Johnson, France, Page, Elkins, Grona, Dillingham, Penrose, Harding, Fernald, Hale, Fall, Poindexter, McLean, Wadsworth, Newberry, Warren, Cummins, Watson, New, Lenroot, Borah, Sherman, McCormick, Sutherland, Calder, Edge and Ball.

HOLD FUNERAL IN SIX MONTHS

Douglas, Arizona, May 1.—Johnny Mine, medicine man of the Kickapoos, friend of numerous officials at Washington and canny negotiator at Washington for his tribe is dead, but his funeral will not be held till six months, perhaps six years hence when the money from his estate is available to buy presents for all the tribe. Then a dance will be held all night and the presents will be distributed at daybreak. M. J. Bently business agent for the tribe says Johnny Mine's real name was Mah-Me-Qua-Che, and means "Leaning Tree." He represented the Kickapoos in all negotiations with the government. Mine had often proved more than a match for crafty white who had designs on the Kickapoos. He had been to Washington a number of times and on such trips always wore a Prince Albert coat and a high silk hat.

	Open	Close
January	24.35	24.00
February	24.85	24.85
July	27.10	26.70
October	25.29	24.82
December	24.57	24.27

Local Market NOMINAL