

GERARD REPORTS TO SECRETARY LANSING

Says That German People Will not Waver Until U-boat Campaign Has Been Thoroughly Tried

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Washington, March 15—Longing for peace is a deep seated emotion with the German people today.

With grim stolidness they are enduring hunger and privations confident that their last weapon, the U Boat, will soon accomplish the end of the struggle.

These are the outstanding features of Gerard's first report to Secretary Lansing on German conditions.

Despite the food shortage Germany will be able unless there is a crop failure to struggle through another year of war.

Gerard says the people are united and determined that there will be no relaxation on their part unless the U-Boat campaign proves a failure.

He gave Lansing a detailed report of occurrences since his departure from Berlin including German espionage of his every move and the cutting of the telephone lines at the embassy.

IN ENTIRELY OPPOSITE MOODS

BROTHERHOOD REPRESENTATIVES READY TO FIGHT AND RAILROAD MANAGERS READY TO OFFER COMPROMISE

New York, March 15—In directly opposite moods,—the Brotherhood representatives ready to fight and railroad managers ready to offer compromise,—the opposing factions went into conference at noon.

The Brotherhoods declared that they were ready to force the eight hour day issue and call the first section of the strike on Saturday. Their chief presented a resolution passed at a recent meeting in Chicago authorizing a strike if the Adamson Law was declared unconstitutional.

A compromise on the basis of a raise in wages was offered by the managers without reference to the eight hour feature. It is not believed the Brotherhoods will accept the compromise.

It is reported that unless the Brotherhoods force the railway heads immediately to make concessions, the men will face a split in their own ranks, giving the roads the advantage.

UP TO PEOPLE AND PRESIDENT

Chicago, March 15—The Western railroads will put the Brotherhood strike up to the public and the President, according to executive officers here.

They will operate what trains they can with the men who refuse to strike but they will not hire strike breakers. They will not resist government action to take over the operation of roads and no embargo will be declared until the strike occurs. If the Eastern lines are tied up the Western lines will be automatically forced to discontinue freight shipments.

SIGNS FEDERAL INTERVENTION

Washington, March 15—The first sign of possible Federal intervention came here today when Judge Chambers of the Federal Board was called to the White House to discuss the threatened strike.

FOR SALE CHEAP A 1914 Five Passenger Hippomobile in excellent condition. Geo. J. Spence, Elizabeth City, N. C. Mar 14

REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA

(By United Press)

Berlin, March 15—The executive committee of the Duma has accomplished successfully a revolution in Russia, imprisoning all ministers, and now controls the government, the German press announced today as official news from Petrograd.

London, Feb. 15—Revolution in Russia confirmed here. Said Czar may abdicate, his son succeeding him.

The Revolution according to advices here was carried out with clearly defined purpose and definite program. Many houses were burned. Fighting occurred at Moscow and Petrograd.

Write Essays On Lloyd George

London, Feb. 26 (By mail)—A teacher in the Harrow district asked a class of boys and girls whose ages average 7 years to write essays on Lloyd George. The results included these paragraphs: Lloyd George is a very brave soldier. He is King of Parliament. They are trying to poison him. He has won many battles. He has thousands of soldiers.

King George is King of England, but Lloyd George is King for the war. He is a Welshman but speaks English.

He has lots of soldiers and he tells them what to do so as to win the war. He only lets the people have four pounds of bread.

Lloyd George is a good King and the Germans have tried to poison him.

Urges Germans To Back Wilson

New York, March 15—The German proprietor of a string of barber shops here today sent a circular letter to all his foreign born employees urging them to "stand behind the President, whatever decision he may make." The writer is a native of Germany who has made all he has in the United States. "You or your fathers before you came to this country," says the letter "seeking social and political liberty. That you should retain in your heart the love of your fatherland is but natural. But now that the country of our adoption is itself threatened by the danger of war in the defense of the honor and integrity of its people and its institutions, there is no allegiance which can be yours save the single, absolute and unadulterated allegiance to America.

Stand behind her as one man in her hour of crisis even though you be brought into conflict with your own blood and bones."

Sagamore Sunk Today

Boston, March 15—Steamship agents received word here today that steamer Sagamore bound for Liverpool has been sunk.

COMMANDER-BARNES

WEDDING OF MUCH INTEREST HERE TAKES PLACE AT KING'S CREEK, MD. ELIZABETH CITY PEOPLE ATTENDING

Mr. Guy Winston Commander of this city and Miss Myrtle Barnes of King's Creek, Md., were married at the home of the bride on Wednesday at high noon.

The wedding was one of unusual interest in this city and was attended by a large number of Elizabeth City people, among whom were Mr. J. C. Commander, Mr. J. E. Commander, Mrs. Pratt Fearing, Mrs. J. C. Commander, and Miss Linda Mercer.

Following the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Commander left King's Creek for a tour of Washington, Philadelphia and Baltimore after which they will make their home in Elizabeth City.

The bride has many friends in Elizabeth City where she has been as the guest of Mrs. J. B. Ferebee. On the last evening of her Christmas visit here she was given a very delightful announcement party and shower in honor of the approaching wedding.

The groom is the son of City Manager Commander and a promising young business man of this city.

TAFT TO FIND SOUTH SOLID

AS HE TOURS THIS SECTION IN THE WORK OF ORGANIZING FOR WORLD PEACE FOLLOWING THE PRESENT WAR

New York, March 15—Former President Taft will find a solid South upon his forthcoming tour of that region—solid for the League to Enforce Peace, in the interest of which the Nation's twenty-seventh chief executive is making the trip, if present indications count for anything.

Governor Stuart, John Stewart Bryan, Editor of the Richmond News Leader, and a large number of other leading men of Virginia have arranged for a luncheon in honor of the President of the League to Enforce Peace when he visits Richmond, March 21, to be followed by a great mass meeting at which the Governor is to preside. While President Taft goes on his way his Virginia hosts will continue the task of perfecting a state organization for the purpose of explaining the League's plan to maintain the future peace of the world after the present war shall have concluded.

At Greensboro, N. C., where President Taft is to speak on March 22 another great mass meeting has been arranged by a committee of 100 of North Carolina's foremost citizens, each one of whom have received an honorary appointment from Governor Bickett under the great seal of the state. Governor Bickett is an ardent convert to the League plan. While on account of an important engagement made some time ago he will not be able to attend the Taft meeting, he has agreed to make a number of addresses in behalf of the League in North Carolina and neighboring cities. The value of the Governor's support may be better appreciated when it is known that he is recognized as one of the South's ablest orators.

At Atlanta the Chamber of Commerce has arranged to give a banquet of 500 colons in honor of President Taft. Governor Harris, Mayor Chandler and other prominent men of Georgia will be present. In fact the governors of every state through which President Taft is to pass on his Southern tour are co-operating with city and State officials in honoring Mr. Taft and in furthering the propaganda of the League to Enforce Peace.

The Governor of Alabama will be present. Continued on Page Three

OPENINGS FINE SPITE O' WEATHER

WOMAN'S WEAR STORE DOES TWICE ITS USUAL BIG OPENING BUSINESS AND OTHER STORES REPORT BUSINESS AS GOOD

Mr. M. Leigh Sheep of the Woman's Wear Store when offered condolence on account of the bad weather which greeted his Spring Opening on Wednesday made the surprising reply:

"Why I've been in business for ten years. This is my 21st Opening and the first rainy one in the store's history. But in spite of that, I have done twice as much business as ever before."

Mr. Sheep's store has just been enlarged and remodeled and his Spring display has been one of unusual beauty, showing to excellent advantage in his new quarters.

"The new coats are unusually handsome" said Mr. Sheep when asked about the leading features in the Spring styles, "and everybody looks attractive in the new spring suits."

"The bright attractive coloring in sport coats and sport suits is a real joy and sport clothes are the rage this season. Sport dresses in which a combination of fabrics is used are very popular."

"Indeed, there's a charm about the new dresses that is irresistible. Straight line effects with normal waist line or with sash or belt slightly below are most favored though there are many short waisted styles. Semi-fitted dresses are very popular. Skirts are both long and short, some in straight line effect and others the "barrel" type."

"The new waists are very clever. Some fasten in the back, others slip over the head, others are Russian and are worn outside the skirt. Sport waists are more daring than ever in color and cut, and the new sport neckwear is most popular."

"As for hosiery and gloves,—the situation is really serious. They should by all means be bought now, for the supply everywhere is limited."

Miss Sallie Perry's Millinery Department enjoyed the same sort of rush that greeted the M. Leigh Sheep Company and many shoppers found it convenient to buy their new suits and hats under the same roof where they could be harmonized easily and quickly.

Miss Lina Gilbert also reported a good day's business though she confessed to welcoming the sunshine of Thursday affording a better day to view the beauties of Spring millinery.

Miss Martha Sykes, at the head of the millinery department of the S. R. Siff Store, reported a "nice opening, good business, and the people more appreciative of offerings than ever before."

Mrs. Walker of Walker & Company was pleased with the first day's opening in spite of the bad weather.

Mrs. Prichard of Prichard Millinery Company was too rushed with business Thursday morning to report at all, but appearances at the store indicated that without doubt "business was good."

Thursday's sunshine brought out many who could not get down town on Wednesday, and another big crowd is expected on Saturday from the country if the roads have a chance to dry out so that the farthest away customers can get to town.

For Sale Real Estate

One lot on West side of Pointexter Street next to Pointexter Creek Foundation for building ahead prepared.
Mill site, on Sheppard Street and Factory Avenue and Charles Creek. Sawmill on property will also be sold.
Lot fronting 63 feet on Parsonage Street and adjoining the Graded School property. On this lot is

Virginia-Carolina Co. Will Rebuild Boat Here

Hull Will Arrive in a Few Days and Will be Constructed Into Modern Type of Vessel

Next Week at McCabe & Grice

"Perhaps you think you have seen the season's foremost styles, and attended some big openings," said Mr. Spencer of McCabe & Grice today.

"But just wait! It's worth waiting for."

"The Spring Opening of the Fastest Growing Store in Elizabeth City—the Busy Store on Busy Corner—will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 20th and 21st, and McCabe & Grice never do things by halves."

"Our Spring Opening is a reception to our friends. Music morning and evening is provided, every body is invited and no one is urged to buy. It's for your pleasure, friends."

"As for the goods,—we have bought heavily, and when you see the tremendous display on the Opening Days, you will agree that we have bought with a keen knowledge of what the best dressers want, whether they are men or women, boys or girls, or tiny tots."

"Don't forget the dates, March 20th and 21st, Tuesday and Wednesday. Nobody ever forgets the place,—it's McCabe and Grice."

Moyock Briefs

Moyock, N. C., March 14th — Mrs. C. M. Calvin of Coinjock is visiting Mrs. S. M. Mann. Mrs. M. Mann is visiting Mrs. C. G. Fehman and son at Moyock. Mrs. Fehman's mother, Mrs. Luna Jarvis.

Miss Eula Sanderlin entertained her friends at a very enjoyable birthday party Saturday night.

Interesting games and contests were enjoyed after which delightful refreshments were served.

The debates given recently at school have been well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by the patrons. It is very gratifying to see the progress being made by the students.

The Woman's Club held its regular meeting Friday afternoon. The following officers were elected: Mrs. W. D. Cox, President; Mrs. Eppa Charlton, Vice President; Miss Annie Hall, Secretary; Miss Ada Bray, treasurer.

Miss Irene Lane and Mr. Luther Parker of Norfolk were the guests of Miss Leola Lane Sunday.

Mrs. Morgan Jones of Snowden was here Sunday.

Ambassador Sato At Pittsburg

(By United Press)

Pittsburg, March 15—Ambassador Sato arrived here from Washington today to attend the banquet of the Pittsburg Press Club, at which he will be the guest of honor. Whether the Japanese diplomat will touch upon Japan's American relations is not known.

Sir Gilbert Parker, the Canadian novelist, Roy W. Howard, president of the United Press, and Senator Warren Harding have accepted invitations to deliver after dinner speeches. About 500 are expected to attend the dinner.

a comfortable two story dwelling with all conveniences.

Lots 68 and 69, as designated on Plat of Skinner and Gregory. W. A. WORTH, Hinton Bldg. Elizabeth City, N. C.

"The hull purchased by the Virginia Carolina Transportation Company for the purpose of reconstructing it into a modern freight ship has left Baltimore and was due in Norfolk Wednesday. It will reach Elizabeth City within two or three days, and will be rebuilt at the Company's wharf here.

"The company has already purchased steel to rebuild this hull into the type of boat it desires for freight traffic between Baltimore and New Bern. This steel was shipped by the Pennsylvania Railroad several weeks ago and would already be here but for the congested condition of freight traffic. It may arrive now at any time.

The boilers have also been purchased. They were bought from the Talbot Boiler Company and are of most modern type, using oil fuel.

Engines of the twin screw type have also been purchased and will reach here by the time the hull is ready for them.

"In re-constructing and refitting this hull Elizabeth City labor will be used as far as possible. If we go outside of Elizabeth City for labor it will be because we cannot get it here.

"Present indications are that it will take between sixty and ninety days to complete the work. As soon as it is done this boat will be put on as our first weekly steamer plying between Baltimore and New Bern. Two or three weeks later the second boat will be ready and will begin weekly trips, thus giving Elizabeth City and New Bern a regular semiweekly service schedule."

Mr. Charles W. Harrison, Chairman of the board of directors of The Virginia Carolina Transportation Company is authority for the foregoing statements. Mr. Harrison was in the city again today and seen by a reporter for this newspaper spoke confidently of his company's plans for the future. He said that spite of delay due to unprecedented conditions in the shipyard, and to shortage of raw materials, steady progress had been made, and that he feels assured that now plans are in such shape that definite promises may be made with assurance that they can be kept. Mr. Harrison was here in January, but was unwilling to say when his boats could be expected to begin operations.

The Virginia Carolina Transportation Company have leased for ten years the Aydtlett property on the East side of Water street up to and including the building formerly occupied by the Peoples Line. The company has contracted with Mr. J. W. Martin of this city to fit up the front of this building for modern offices.

With Mr. Harrison on this trip are Mrs. Harrison, his daughter, Miss Harrison, and also the company's civil engineer, Mr. Wilson. The party left Thursday afternoon on Mr. Harrison's yacht, the Revorie, which just off the ways and splck and span in a new coat of paint, had been all the morning hauled to her dock and an object of admiration to all passers by.

CANDIDATE FROM SECOND WARD

I hereby announce myself a candidate from the Second Ward subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held on April 12. Any and all support given me will be appreciated.

W. T. CULPEPPER

WEATHER OR NO
Fair Thursday night Fair and warmer Friday.