

GERMANY ENDEAVORS TO FIND WAY OUT BY FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS

GOVERNMENT WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN MODIFICATION OF EXTRADITION TERMS TREATY

Well Informed Persons Deny That a Governmental Crisis Exists - Prussian Cabinet Endorses National Cabinet's Attitude - German Airmen Detailed to Accompany Entente Commission of Control Have Refused to Perform Duties.

(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, Feb. 6.—Premier Bauer in conference with party leaders tomorrow will probably determine whether the national assembly will be called to consider the extradition situation.
Persons well informed deny the existence of a governmental crisis and the Prussian cabinet has unanimously endorsed the national cabinet's attitude, which is unaltered. This may be regarded as a symptom of the spirit in which the entente demands are being met, all prominent politicians condemning the allied edict.
A member of the government is quoted by the press as saying:
"The government is still endeavoring to find a way out by further negotiations."
It is believed that the government will attempt to obtain a modification of the peace treaty respecting extradition. If it is unsuccessful it will, so to speak, fold its arms and let events take their own course, according to prevalent opinion. Already, it is reported, the German airmen detailed to accompany the entente commission of control have refused to perform their duties.
A scrutiny of the extradition list shows that Belgium and France have demanded the surrender of all the German generals who commanded on the west front in 1914 except General von Terringen. Why the grand Duke of Hesse is listed is a mystery, says the Tageblatt, as he only once visited the front.

AN IGNOMINY TO WHICH NO GERMAN WOULD SUBMIT
BERLIN, Feb. 6.—Field Marshal von Buelow told the Lokal Anzeiger today that Germans whose names are on the list of those whose extradition is demanded by the allies "only did their duty to the fatherland," and that extradition was ignominy to which "no German would voluntarily submit."
The field marshal declared he would never place himself at the disposal of the entente nations and expressed the belief that most of the commanders named in the allied list would take the same view.
It is understood that meetings of army and navy commanders were held on January 7 and it was unanimously concluded that the version of the extradition clause of the Versailles treaty was entirely compatible with German honor and that no one must voluntarily surrender. Legal objections should be lodged against orders for the arrest of any of the commanders, it was decided at these meetings. The government has issued to the press a proclamation reiterating its opposition to the extradition demand, and declaring it cannot be fulfilled by this or any other government.
Even if the present government is forced to give way to a new cabinet composed of independent socialists or other factions, the same situation will prevail, it is said.
The covering note and the official list has not been received here and the unofficial list which was sent to Berlin, does not afford a basis for even superficial consideration of the offenses charged against the listed men. It is not improbable the government will promptly get in touch with the national assembly, which is expected to reconvene next week, although it adjourned until the end of the month.

SWITZERLAND TO FOLLOW HOLLAND'S EXAMPLE.
GENEVA, Feb. 6.—Swiss federal authorities, it is reported, will follow the precedent set by Holland in dealing with demands from the allies for the extradition of Germans who are in this country. Former Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, as well as several minor officials on the extradition list, are now in Switzerland.

HUN POSITION EXPLAINED IN NOTE OF JANUARY 25
LONDON, Feb. 5.—The German chancellor, Gustav Bauer, in a statement to the press, said, according to a Berlin wireless message here:
"Our standpoint was explained in the

note of January 25, and we again emphasize it. But we shall strictly avoid any provocation.
"For this reason the government regrets that Baron von Lersner refused to forward the entente note. In any such action the interests of the whole nation must be decisive, and not the honor of a single individual."
[The German note of January 26 begged the allies to renounce execution of article 228 of the peace treaty, requesting the surrender of persons accused of acts in violation of the laws and customs of war. The note affirmed that the execution of article 228 would infallibly cause political and economic troubles, which would have a serious effect on the production of the nation. German government proposed that the trial of such persons be held in Germany with the participation of allied representatives.]

IMPOSSIBLE TO SURRENDER THE MEN DEMANDED
BERLIN, Wednesday, Feb. 4.—Surrender of the men demanded by the allies is impossible, the Associated Press was informed by a member of the government at the conclusion of tonight's cabinet session.
The cabinet meeting, which lasted several hours, was attended by Matthias Erzberger, the vice premier and minister of finance, whose appearance was his first at a meeting of the ministry since he was shot in the shoulder in the recent attempt of a former cadet to assassinate him.
Rumors that a crisis was impending in the government are declared by the Lokal Anzeiger to be groundless. The cabinet members are in complete agreement on Germany's policy, the newspaper avers.
It is learned that in addition to the names previously given, the extradition list includes the names of Frederick von Ingenohl, Djemal Pasha, former Turkish minister of war, Rupert von Gipper and Admiral von Schoeder, former commander of the naval corps. These men were demanded unanimously.
The list received in Berlin contains approximately 900 names. Fully 80 per cent of the men are unknown even to the general public of Germany.
Faulty transmission resulted in gross misspellings and the omission of initials and other marks of identification to indicate the respective persons meant, while names like Mueller and Schmidt recur a score of times.
France and Belgium each demand the surrender of 334 men; England 97; Poland 57; Rumania 41; Serbia four and Italy 25.
There is one woman on the list, Frau Elsa Scheiner, who is wanted for alleged mistreatment of French women at a German concentration camp.
The appearance of the name of Count von Bernstorff, former German ambassador to the United States, is accounted for here by his connection with Bolo Pasha, executed in France in 1918 as a traitor.

COUNCIL DEFERS SENDING NOTE TO GERMANY.
PARIS, Feb. 6.—Consideration of the new note to be sent to Germany as a result of the failure of her representatives here to transmit the list of accused Germans demanded for extradition by the allies was deferred by the council of ambassadors today until evening because Lord Birkenhead, the British lord high chancellor, and Sir Gordon Hewart, the attorney general, were delayed in their journey from London by fog in the English channel.

DIRECTS ATTENTION TO BIG BEND DISTRICT.
EL PASO, TEX., Feb. 6.—The senate subcommittee investigating Mexican conditions today directed its attention chiefly to outlaws in the Big Bend district of Texas, where, witnesses testified, murder and looting have been frequent.
The testimony which so far has been confined to persons who have been victims of Mexican depredations on both sides of the border will be extended to include army officers who have been border service, it was indicated today.

ILL LUCK PURSUES HIM TO THE LAST.
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 6.—Frank E. Johnson, negro dining car chef, who was slightly injured in the wreck of the Southern express train here yesterday along with 13 others, was struck by another train and killed last night while standing on the tracks at Dead Man's Curve watching the wrecking crew jack his dining car back on the rails.

NEW ENGLAND SWEEP BY FIERCE BLIZZARD

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTORS MEET

Committees Appointed to Consider Several Important Matters - J. O. White Elected National Councillor.

Motor express service through Gastonia, hydro-electric power problems, taxation questions and other matters of great importance to Gastonia were given full consideration at a two hours session of the board of directors of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce held at the offices Thursday afternoon.
Three members of the Chamber of Commerce have died since the preceding meeting of the board. A committee consisting of J. O. White, Joe S. Wray and D. M. Jones was named to draft suitable resolutions on the death of H. Beeler Moore, a committee consisting of Wade S. Buice, R. C. Patrick and S. A. Robinson regarding the death of A. Meek Barnett and a committee composed of J. H. Kennedy, J. W. Culp and J. Play Bess concerning the death of D. G. Buckner.
Rumors that the recent decision of the supreme court in the case of the North Carolina Public Service Company and Salisbury and Spencer Railway Company versus the Southern Power Company might have a deterring effect on industrial development using hydro-electric power in North Carolina had reached the chamber and to ascertain the exact status of the matter a committee composed of J. H. Separk, C. B. Armstrong and J. Lee Robinson was selected to go carefully over the decision and make a report.
Z. B. Harry, C. M. Boyd and A. S. Trakas were named to investigate the proposed motor express service through Gastonia and to decide what was best for local interests in connection with the proposed service.
Major A. L. Bulwinkle, S. N. Boyce and T. L. Craig were named a committee to consider the idea of inviting A. J. Maxwell of the State Corporation Commission to come to Gastonia and to explain the revaluation act.
It was decided to issue the suggestions received from the membership in the recent questionnaire in the form of a ballot to enable the members to vote upon the ideas listed so as to ascertain the desire of the majority as to what may be the most important matters to take up first.
J. O. White was elected national councillor to represent the Chamber of Commerce in the Chamber of Commerce of the United States for the year 1920.
The meeting was attended by President Fred L. Smyre, Second Vice President S. A. Robinson, Treasurer S. N. Boyce, and Directors Wade S. Buice, C. D. Gray, A. E. Woltz and J. O. White.

ITALIAN NEWSPAPER SAVAGELY ATTACKS U. S.

Says United States Did Not Enter War Until Western Europe Was Out of Danger and Took Care That Germany Should Not Be Trampled Upon and Improperished.

(By The Associated Press.)
ROME, Wednesday, Feb. 4.—America is savagely attacked by the Epoca, which today prints a lengthy comment on Secretary Glass' letter relative to further credits to European countries.
"Secretary Glass," the newspaper says, "does not take into consideration that fact that America did not participate in the war until western Europe was out of danger and that the United States took good care that Germany should not be excessively trampled upon and improperished, she being an excellent American client. With the exception of the western part of Europe the so-called 'peoples peace' seems to be a prelude to new slaughter. Confronted with this situation Europe is asked to disarm completely while America plans the augmentation of her fleet by spending a billion dollars annually. Is disarmament possible when Russian bolshevism, originally anti-militarist, has transformed itself into a ferociously aggressive power?"
"Russia is in the league with Germany, which is organizing an army for the former hoping to overturn the peace of Versailles. Invasion and destruction of the Polish republic would be a spark that would kindle a new fire which would reduce the treaty to ashes. Therefore disarmament is possible if Russia is the first to do so, and why not the United States?"

WILL SELL GERMAN PASSENGER LINERS

(By The Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Supported by President Wilson, the shipping board plans to proceed with the sale of the 30 former German passenger liners notwithstanding the objection of the war department on the ground that some of the vessels were needed in the army transport reserve.
Shipping interests have been invited to send representatives to Washington next week, Chairman Payne said, when the ships will be offered for sale at auction. Private bids for the liners already have been received by the shipping board but they have been held in abeyance to determine if the bids represent a fair market value of the vessels.
The shipping board stipulates that all bids must be subject to the approval of the board as to each ship.
To meet the objection of the war department, Chairman Payne declared that provision would be made to keep the vessels under the American flag and subject to the call of the war department in case of a national emergency.

LOOKING FOR FIVE PROFESSIONAL KILLERS

(By The Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—Five alleged professional killers from New York and one from Buffalo were sought today by the Chicago police and officials from the state's attorney's office as the probable murderers of "Moss" Enright, notorious labor feudist and gunman who was shot to death here Tuesday night.
Enright was the latest victim of labor union feuds here in which 23 men have been killed.
About two weeks before Enright was killed "five men were imported from New York" according to the police, who said they came here with Mike Carozzo, president of the Chicago street sweeper's union. The men could not be found after the killing.
Carozzo, a protege of "Big Tim" Murphy, said to have been Enright's chief rival in labor union feuds, was arrested but was released late last night.
George Kenny, secretary to the state's attorney, left for New York last night to make an investigation. He will ask the aid of the New York police department.
Search also was instituted by the police for "Tommy The Wop," said to be "a professional killer from Buffalo, N. Y." The police announced they also would investigate a recent visit by Carozzo to Boston, and Bridgeport, Conn.

FAMOUS "STRONG ARM" POLICEMAN RETIRES

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—New York city lost one of its famous "strong arm" policemen today when Patrolman Seig ("Ajax") Whitman retired after a picturesque career of 26 years. The 56-year-old veteran, who was known nationally as a strong man was injured more than a score of times in halting runaway horses and received official commendation for his bravery seven times. He will receive an annual pension of \$950.
He was chosen ten years ago to form a "strong arm" squad to break up the notorious "Car barn gang" which was then terrorizing Harlem. The gangsters landed either in jail or in the hospital.
"Ajax" gave exhibitions of strength on a tour with the late John L. Sullivan before the boxing champion fought "Jake" Kilrain. Among his noted feats were pushing a loaded freight car weighing more than 12 tons and lifting by his teeth a hoghead of water upon which stood several men. He was credited with lifting a 1,030 pound dumbbell with his teeth and also with successfully withstanding the efforts of a score of men pulling a long rope, one end of which he held between his teeth.

PRINCESS ANNE RUNS AGROUND IN HEAVY STORM

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The steamship Princess Anne of the Old Dominion line, carrying 32 passengers and a crew of 72 from Norfolk, Va., to New York, ran aground one mile off the coast at Rockaway Point on Long Island in a heavy storm early today and sent out S. O. S. calls for assistance. Tugs from army transport headquarters at Hoboken, wrecking tugs and a police patrol boat went to the aid of the stranded vessel.
Wireless reports said that Captain Seay, of the Princess Anne had been seriously injured but no details were given. The vessel's position was considered serious on account of the gale that had lashed the coast for the past two days. A stiff northerly wind and biting rain added discomfort to the situation. Members of the coast guard at Rockaway Beach endeavored to launch a boat to go to the steamer but gave up the at-

INFLUENZA REPORTS

According to reports filed by the physicians of the city at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon and sent by City Manager W. J. Alexander to the State Board of Health last night, there were only six new cases of influenza during the 24-hour period ending at 5 p. m. Thursday, February 5. These were all colored people.

STORM CAUSES PROPERTY LOSS OF OVER \$2,000,000 ON NORTH ATLANTIC COAST

Trail of Destruction and Suffering Left In Wake of Blizzard Which Blanketed Territory In Snow and Ice - 39 Ships Ask For Location - Houses Washed to Sea and Towns Inundated - New York Is Slow to Recover - Army Tank Pushes Stalled Trolley Cars.

(By The Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The gale and unusually high tides which have lashed the north Atlantic coast for the last two days, accompanied by a blizzard which blanketed most of the territory with snow and ice, were gradually subsiding early today, leaving a trail of destruction and suffering in their wake.
Estimates of the property damage run well beyond the two million dollar mark. A number of vessels were reported in distress and several Long Island sound steamers were prisoners in ice jams. The wireless station at New York police headquarters early today had received messages from 39 ships asking for the location. Points along the New Jersey coast, especially Atlantic City and Sea Bright, were hardest hit. Houses were inundated. Resorts along the Long Island shore near New York were heavily damaged.
Railroad traffic improved during the morning, although trains were still behind in their schedules.
New York was slow to recover from the blow dealt by the storm king. Traffic conditions were still chaotic early today and the streets piled high with snowdrifts. A shortage of snowshovelers and the threatened strike of the few thousand that were working agitated the street cleaning department.
The shortage of coal caused considerable apprehension. Transportation companies said they had only a few days supply on hand and that they would be forced to suspend operations unless their bunkers were speedily replenished. Barges laden with coal are tied up at Jersey points by ice floes.
One of the novelties of the storm was the use of an army tank to push stalled trolley cars.

tempt when giant rollers nearly battered the craft to pieces.
In response to a wireless inquiry from police headquarters, the Princess Anne reported that she was not in immediate danger of breaking up. She requested, however, that her passengers be taken off by tugs as soon as possible.
Advices from the stranded ship sent through coast guard observers shortly after 10 a. m. were that the hull was badly strained through the pounding of the surf and that number 3 hold was full of water but there was no water in holds No. 1 or 2.
The sea was running high and word has been sent to the coast guard to send all available assistance.
The keeper of the Rockaway station reported that he had loaded his surface boat onto a larger vessel and would put out around Rockaway Point to deep water where the lifeboat would be launched to approach the stranded ship from the off-shore side.
The passengers were said to be comfortable.
Two navy tugs and a coast guard cutter were standing by the disabled ship and other vessels were approaching her.

ANOTHER 24 HOURS OF STORM FORECAST
WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Another 24 hours of snow and high winds along the Atlantic coast from Maryland to Maine, was forecast today by the weather bureau.
The peak of the storm is now in New England, where the heaviest fall of snow in the east this winter—20 inches—was recorded in places. The fall of snow continued general from the Canadian border to Central Virginia and covered a path as far west as the upper Ohio valley.
Damage resulting from the storm has been heavy. High tides, heavy seas and high winds have wrought havoc at Atlantic coast resorts from Georgia to New England, places damaged including Atlantic City, Coney Island, Ocean City, Maryland, Ocean View and Buckroe Beach, Virginia, Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina and Tybee Island.
Shipping also has suffered severely. Many vessels are in distress all along the coast.
Railroad traffic has been seriously interfered with, reports to the railroad administration showing passenger trains running far behind schedule and in many sections freight trains blocked.
At the weather bureau it was said that the centre of the storm had moved so close to land that it was possible now to locate it as a short distance southeast of Nantucket, Mass. The storm is moving northeastward and, it was said, will now move a little more rapidly than it has.
There has been no marked cold at any point in the storm area, it was said at the bureau, temperatures generally being only a little below freezing point.

BARK IS WRECKED.
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 6.—The bark George W. Schofield was wrecked near here by the storm. It went ashore near Corson's inlet Wednesday night and today is high and dry on the beach.
The Cedar Beach life saving crew rescued the crew after several hours spent in attempts to shoot a line into the vessel so a breeches buoy could be operated.
The Schofield, which is owned by the Southern Transportation Company, Baltimore, will be a total loss.
Guards say the storm is unprecedented in the history of the life saving service.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Adjournment until next Tuesday of the trial of the five suspended socialist assemblymen found Albany today deserted of counsel, witnesses and out-of-town spectators. The prosecution has virtually closed its case. A few "odds and ends" of evidence, however, remain to be introduced before the defense opens.