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BELIEVED THAT GERMAN REVOLUTION IS DOOMED

VON KAPP LOSES GRIP AS FORCES REFUSE TO RALLY TO CAUSE---HOPES TO FORM PRUSSIAN CABINET---EBERT STILL HOLDING ON.

BULLETIN

Paris, March 15—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The French foreign office is informed in a dispatch by way of Mayence that Berlin newspapers announce that President Ebert and Dr. von Kapp have reached a compromise under which Ebert will remain president. The compromise according to the advices which are confirmed provided that Ebert shall form a cabinet of specialists and dissolve the national assembly.

Paris, Mar. 15—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Latest information from Germany received by the French foreign office indicates that the revolutionary movement of Dictator von Kapp is doomed to failure.

The majority of socialists, democrats and even some sections of the reactionary element have repudiated the revolution, foreign office advises ascert.

Von Kapp's final hope, officials believe, lies in the organization of a purely Prussian cabinet. The revolution, the foreign office advises indicated, has failed completely in all the provinces except western Prussia.

Extensive opposition to the German revolutionary government which seized power in Berlin Saturday, was indicated in today's early dispatches.

The Ebert government, according to a Dresden dispatch, has refused the request of the revolutionists to enter into negotiations. President Ebert was quoted as declaring the revolutionary group represents merely a few partisans who have seized power temporarily. Ebert, it was reported, has sent an emissary to Berlin to demand return of the central governmental powers.

Other dispatches said the Ebert groups have organized armed opposition in some cities. Fighting was reported in Kiel, Essen and Frankfurt. Gustav Noske, Ebert's defense minister, also was reported organizing military opposition to the revolutionists.

The general strike movement to embarrass the revolutionists also was reported meeting with success. The report of a strike of railway workers was considered significant. Workers in Munich have joined the general strike, the dispatch said.

The south German states, which always have opposed Prussian militarism, apparently have revived this opposition and will not recognize the revolutionists. The industrial districts, where socialists and radicals took upon Ebert as the lesser of two evils, also have refused to recognize von Kapp, the revolutionary dictator.

Berlin dispatches declared some members of the deposed government have come out in opposition to the revolutionists there.

Radicals have taken advantage of the general confusion to declare a soviet republic in the Hot and Schweinfurt districts, one dispatch said. The national assembly, it was said, has been called to meet at Stuttgart on Wednesday.

The allied governments apparently will take no active hand in the situation unless further developments render it necessary.

A Paris dispatch, however, said Marshal Foch had said that allied troops occupy the Ruhr and Essen industrial districts.

The Dutch government, an Amsterdam dispatch said, has reinforced troops guarding the former kaiser and crown prince.

Copenhagen, Mar. 15—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The result of the plebiscite in the second division of Schleswig has been announced officially as follows, a dispatch here today said:

Germany—48,148.

Denmark—13,025.

BABE BURIED TODAY

The still-born babe of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Garner, born this morning, was buried at the Decatur cemetery at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

THE FIRST TO GIVE

Eastern Star Contributors \$10.00 to the Local Y. W. C. A. Fund

CAMPAIGN STARTS

Tri Kappas Hope to Raise Quota This Week—Hard Time Party Wednesday

The Eastern Star lodge of this city has the honor of being the first contributor to the Y. W. C. A. world service fund. The money goes for a good cause, so step in line, Adams county. Put in your contribution with your lodge or club, your school, or your church, as all these organizations have been appealed to.

No personal canvassing will be done but all public-spirited individuals who wish to contribute, may do so and their donation will be gratefully received by the Tri Kappas, who are working on this job of securing Adams county's quota which is only \$486.50, since the Eastern Star's generous contribution. Make out your check payable to Y. W. C. A. world service fund, and send to Mrs. Albert Sellemeyer, Fifth street, city, before March 25th.

The Masonic lodge, as its contribution, has kindly donated their hall for the "Hard Time" party Wednesday night—St. Patrick's day. You don't have to be Irish to get in—all you need is an Irish girl. Don't dress up or even look natural or you'll be fined. Put your coat on backwards, or wear a kitchen apron as a prize will be given for the funniest outfit. Everybody come! Parents, children and between. Good music—another generous donation from Berniece Leonard—and special numbers and something to eat.

Richard Deininger returned to Fort Wayne to assume his studies at C. H. S. after spending Saturday and Sunday with his parents.

REVIVAL CLOSES

Four Weeks' Campaign at Methodist Church Results in Much Good

WERE 134 DECISIONS

Evangelist Eddie Thomas Leaves for Linton, Ind., for Revival Work

The four weeks' revival service at the Methodist church closed Sunday evening after a very interesting and profitable campaign. The evangelist, Rev. Eddie Thomas, and the members and pastor of the local church are well pleased over the effort. The church was crowded at every service and the prayer-meetings conducted in the homes during the four weeks of the revival were well attended and much of the success of the work is accredited to these prayer-meetings.

There were 134 decisions in all. Many of these will unite with the Methodist church, and many of them will unite with other churches of their choice, almost every denomination coming in for a few. Hence all the churches here, and some in other cities will gain in membership as a result of the Methodist revival in Decatur.

The music, which was under the direction of the evangelists, was especially fine, and was one of the most interesting features of the revival.

During the early days of the revival the expenses of the four weeks' service were taken care of by collections. This amounted to between \$300 and \$400. At the last day's services the collections and pledges all went to the evangelist, and it is believed will total between \$1,000 and \$1,200.

Rev. Thomas went to Linton, Ind., today where he will conduct a similar service.

MARK LOSES VALUE

(United Press Service) London, March 15.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The value of the German dropped from 290 to the pound to 370 to the pound here today.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Cloudy tonight and Tuesday, probably rain possibly turning to snow Tuesday north portion, warmer to night, colder Tuesday.

WILL IS FILED

The will of Mary W. Miller, deceased, was filed in probate court today. According to the provisions of the will the house and lot owned by her and her husband, Cyrus K. Miller, is given to the husband during his lifetime. The bedding, consisting of bed, springs, mattress, quilts, comforts, pillow slips, etc., is also given to the husband. A step-daughter, Martha C. Snyder, is given the dining room chairs, table, cupboard, sideboard; also all monies, mortgages, bonds and other securities, and the residue of the property goes to Grace A. Harper, Pearl Cross and Richard Cross, step-grandchildren, are also given small bequests. The will was witnessed by Robt. W. Jack and Emma J. Jack.

GRADES TO PLAY

Grades of City Schools to Have Full Charge of Athletic Hall Tuesday Night

DECATUR VS. BLUFFTON

Grounds West of Athletic Hall to be Fixed up Attractively for Summer

Tomorrow night is to be Eighth grade night at the Athletic hall, the local eighth grade basketball team taking the place of the high school team in playing basketball games this week. At this time the Bluffton Eighth grade outfit will journey to this city and will meet the locals in a return game, the locals having suffered defeat in their city several months ago and are now out for revenge. Both teams are evenly matched, the score being close at Bluffton, and the local fans are promised the excitement of a high school contest.

The North Ward team will clash with the South Ward team in preliminary to the Eighth grade battle tomorrow night, a game which also promises to be a little out of the ordinary and a thriller. Several other preliminaries will be arranged, and the local fans are promised a night of real sport in the junior basketball circles. The big program is to start at 7 o'clock sharp, the admission fee being fifteen cents.

The grounds on the west side of the Athletic hall is to be an attractive place for the students of the local schools during the summer months. Within a short time, a band of huskies from the city schools will be put to work clearing the grounds which will be made into an ideal playground, several tennis courts to be arranged, together with a number of athletic outifts, such as the horizontal bars, vaulting and other equipments. Every student is enthused over the new addition and no doubt this will prove as attractive as did the Athletic hall during the winter months.

AGED LADY DIES

Mrs. John Fuhrman Died at Daughter's Home Early Sunday Morning

WAS 77 YEARS OLD

Had Lived in Vicinity of Friedheim All Her Life—Funeral Tuesday

After being a sufferer of dropsical affection several months, death relieved Mrs. John Fuhrman, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ernst C. Stoppenhagen, at 1:15 Sunday morning. Mrs. Fuhrman had been in poor health more than two years, at that time having broken her hip in a fall, and her decline since that time had been gradual.

The husband died two or three years ago, and since that time the deceased had made her home with the daughter, Mrs. Ernst Stoppenhagen, and Mrs. Ernst Gallmeyer, survive together with John Fuhrman.

Mrs. Ernst Fuhrman had been a resident of the vicinity of Friedheim all her life, and was a devoted member of the Friedheim Lutheran church. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, sun time, from the home of the daughter, Mrs. Ernst C. Stoppenhagen, just across the line in Wells county, the Rev. Preuss of the Friedheim Lutheran church officiating.

A SOLDIERS' DAY

One Day of Big Fair Week Will be Dedicated to Soldiers of All Wars

AN OLD HOME WEEK

Management Would Like to Combine Two Events—Plans Going Forward

One day of the Big Northern Indiana Fair to be held in Decatur during the week of August 10th to 13th, inclusive, will be dedicated to the soldiers of Adams County of all wars, including the veterans of the Civil War, Spanish-American, Mexican and the World War and a great program is being arranged for the day. A special invitation will be extended to the soldiers to attend the fair on this day and the management is endeavoring to secure a number of added attractions and speakers for the event. More complete details concerning the soldiers' day will be announced later on.

For Old Home Week.

A good many people are in favor of giving an Old Home week in connection with the big fair and it would more than please the managers of the fair if such a combination could be effected. The managers assure a good, clean show for the week, and are of the opinion that the home-comers would enjoy the attractions immensely. The fair association is going to a heavy expense in putting on the event in this city and they have assured us that it will be equal to any state fair in the country, no matter if they lose very heavily financially, it being their ambition and desire to give Decatur a fair which will attract thousands of people to this city and will "put us on the map." A committee is now working on the details and if the citizens are in favor of an Old Home week, they will plan accordingly. Decatur has not had an Old Home week since 1912, and a good many want one given this year.

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JOHN GERBER DEAD

Well Known Adams County Citizen Passed Away Sunday Afternoon

FUNERAL WEDNESDAY

Had Lived in This County Since 1853—Six Children Survive

It required the services of 194 canvassers to take the census in the eighth district, the big job starting January 2nd.

The totals will be announced in Washington.

MEXICANS ARE FIGHTING

El Paso, Texas, March 15.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Fighting between Villistas and Carranca troops has caused suspension of train service in some sections, according to reports reaching here today from Mexico. Small railway bridges have been burned by Villista forces. Villistas along the border near here claim the rebels have launched a new military campaign.

Joseph Williams, American mining engineer, arrived here today following his release by Villa, who took Williams prisoner at the hold-up of a Mexican train on March 4th.

A NEW REVENUE OFFICER

Washington, March 15.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—William Martin Williams, solicitor for the department of agriculture, has been chosen by President Wilson to be commissioner of internal revenue. It was announced at the white house today.

The nomination probably will go to the senate today. Williams succeeds Daniel C. Roper, whose resignation became effective March 31. Williams is a native of Alabama and has seen several years in federal service.

Williams was born in Georgia. He is a graduate of Harvard law school and practiced in New York until 1917, when he became a departmental solicitor.

JOE McCONNELL FIRST TO FILE

Joe McConnell, county recorder, was the first candidate to file his declaration of candidacy with the county clerk, he filing this morning. Mr. McConnell was appointed by the county commissioners to act as recorder until the next general election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Andrew J. Case.

LODGE RESERVATION TO ARTICLE TEN ADOPTED

SENATE REJECTS FRELINGHUYSEN AND KIRBY RESERVATIONS --- SUPREME COURT GRANTS APPEAL TO STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO INSTITUTE SUIT.

BULLETIN

Washington, March 15—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The senate today adopted the Lodge substitute reservation on article ten of the league of nations covenant.

The vote was 56 to 21.

The substitute was adopted after failure of efforts to amend it and defeat of numerous other proposed reservations to article ten which is the keystone of the treaty struggle.

Washington, Mar. 15—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The senate today rejected the Frelinghuysen reservation to article ten of the league of nations covenant. This was the first of the pending reservations to this article to be voted on.

The vote on this resolution was 17 to 59 only republicans and democratic irreconcilables supporting it.

The reservation introduced by Senator Kirby to article ten was defeated.

The vote on this reservation was 31 to 45.

Kirby followed defeat of the reservation by offering the past reservation. This was quickly voted down by the senate.

Washington, Mar. 15—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The supreme court today granted the application of New Jersey to institute a suit in the high tribunal attacking constitutional prohibition.

The court granted the state permission to file a bill of complaint against federal officials charged with the enforcement of prohibition. The proceedings are similar to those brought by Rhode Island which are now awaiting the final decision of the court.

The government asks that the appeal reaching the court be heard Monday, March 29. The object of the proceedings is to knock out the prohibition amendment of the Volstead enforcement law.

Mr. Stewart, CITY EDITOR

Mr. John H. Stewart today assumed the position of city editor of the Daily Democrat and will assist in continuing the high standard for which the Daily Democrat has long been recognized. Mr. Stewart has been connected with the mechanical department of this paper for a number of years and prior to entering that work was employed in the reporterial department of the Huntington News-Democrat. For several years past he has served with credit as correspondent for metropolitan dailies and is a capable writer, knows news, has a pleasing personality and a wide circle of friends.

With every department of the office now well organized, we are splendidly prepared not only to give you a toady paper but to take excellent care of your advertising, job work or anything in the line of printing. Call 'phone 51 if you need us or have news items.

STEPPED TO LOW EDGE

(United Press Service) Grand Rapids, Mich., March 15.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—"Methedore" by which Truman Newberry was elected to the United States senate in 1918, destroy the underlying institution which safeguards our nation, Judge Elchhorn declared today in addressing the jury in the Michigan election fraud trial.