

GERMANS WAIT FOR A MOVE IN BERLIN

Delegates in London Without Advices—No Forecast Made—None Are Able to Say What Action is to Be Taken in Meeting Allies.

London, March 4.—Awaiting advices from Berlin as to whether new proposals are to be submitted to the allies Monday, Dr. Simons, the German foreign secretary, and the German experts are busy framing a reply to some of the arguments used by Premier Lloyd George in delivering the allied ultimatum yesterday. The Germans strongly object to the verdict of the allies that they were entirely responsible for the war and the premier's argument that if they taxed themselves as France and England had done they would be able to pay what is demanded of them. They claim that internal taxes, such as those on sugar, tobacco and spirits, have not been taken into account, and they are prepared to produce figures showing the allies have underrated their imposition.

With regard to the question of responsibility for the war, the Germans maintain the European powers were equally at fault and cite a recent speech by Mr. Lloyd George, in which he is quoted as saying that the world drifted into the war.

"It is hard to make a man who believes he is innocent say he is guilty," said one of the delegates today. "As for myself, I would rather commit suicide than admit Germany alone was responsible. Any government which made such an admission would probably be overthrown. So if the allies are determined to carry out their demands, they must impose them upon us; they soon will find that the penalties which they outlined yesterday will not produce what they expect."

It is the general opinion of Germans in London that new propositions will be laid before the supreme council, but they have no hope that they will satisfy the allies. They say it is impossible to satisfy France and they now fear Premier Lloyd George from whom they had expected more lenient treatment, considering that he committed himself so far to the French view in his speech yesterday that it is impossible for him to recede.

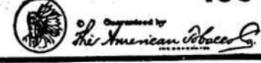
Besides, the Germans hold, the firm attitude displayed in yesterday's speech was met with such approval in Great Britain that the prime minister must realize he followed the popular view. They believe approval was particularly noticeable respecting the decision to occupy Duisburg, Ruhrort and Dusseldorf, which was taken, it is understood, with the ideas of bringing pressure on the big industrial enterprises, including that of Hugo Stinnes, who defied the allies at Spa and who, it is believed here, instigated Dr. Simons' counter proposals and is urging the cabinet to refuse to comply with the Paris decisions.

The spokesman for the German delegation declared this evening that no reply was expected from Berlin before Sunday night, as the cabinet certainly would take all the time possible to consider the situation arising from the allied ultimatum.

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SWEET POTATO DAY AT HODGES

Clemson College, Mar. 4.—Complete plans and program for the sweet potato school to be held for the Piedmont, section at Hodges on Friday, March 11, have been completed, says Geo. P. Hoffmann, Extension horticulturist, and all indications point to a well attended successful day. On the program there will be besides horticultural specialists from Clemson College, Gov. R. A. Cooper, Mr. W. W. Long, director of the Extension Service, Mr. G. A. Cardwell, Agricultural and Industrial Agent of the A. C. L. Railway, Mr. T. B. Young, president of the South Carolina Potato Association and others.

The Program
Presiding Officer, "Bob" Hodges.
Twenty Minutes Talks:
Diversified Farming in South Carolina, Gov. R. A. Cooper.

The Part that the Sweet Potato Should Play in Diversified Farming
W. W. Long, director of the Extension Service, Clemson College, S. C.

The Sweet Potato As a Money Crop in the Boll Weevil District, G. A. Cardwell, Agricultural and Industrial Agent, A. C. L. Railway.

The S. C. Sweet Potato Association, T. B. Young, President, Florence, S. C.

Dinner.
The Sweet Potato Storage House and Its Management, L. C. Corbett, Horticulturist, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Soils, Fertilizers and Cultural Methods, W. R. Beattie, Horticulturist, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Demonstrations.
Seed Selection, Treating and Bedding, Prof. C. C. Newman, Horticulturist, H. W. Barre, Director S. C. Experiment Station, Clemson College, S. C.

Grading and Packing, Geo. P. Hoffman, Extension Horticulturist, F. L. Harkey, Agent in Marketing, Extension Service, Clemson College, S. C.

Explanation of Exhibits, L. B. Altman, County Agent, Greenwood County, A. E. Schilleter and A. M. Musser, Extension Horticulturists, Clemson College, S. C.

FUTURE AUTO MOTIVE POWER

Interesting Speculation as to What Will Take the Place of Fast-Diminishing Gasoline.

Gasoline will continue to go up in price. A few years from now we shall have to use something else as fuel for our automobiles. The question is, what?

The government bureau of mines thinks that we shall get the requisite substitute from coal. In every city there will be "by-product coke ovens," which will extract from the coal a light oil available for the purpose. The coke can then be used in our furnaces and for other ordinary fuel purposes.

One ton of soft coal in the process of coking yields about three gallons of oil first rate for motor fuel. At present prices the heat in the oil has 20 times the commercial value of the same amount of heat in the form of coal.

Germany during part of the war was practically shut off from every supply of mineral oil. She depended for her motor fuel entirely on coal, putting the latter through by-product, coking plants. Before long we shall be obliged to do the same thing in the United States.

Part of the light oil in coal is toluol, which in time of war is needed for the manufacture of TNT. Modern warfare requires enormous quantities of the substance for making high-explosive shells. During the first part of the war the allies came near defeat for lack of it.

Another by-product from the coking of one ton of soft coal is 5,000 cubic feet of gas, available for cooking and other household uses. The coke itself makes an admirable smokeless fuel for furnaces, if people could only be persuaded to use it.

SEES INFLUENCE AS HANDICAP

Charles M. Schwab Insists That Character is the Biggest Asset in Modern Business.

Influence! The worst thing that can happen to a man is to start life with influence. So declared Charles M. Schwab in a talk to Princeton students upon how to succeed in business, remarks Leslie's. Young fellows who excuse their failure on the score of having no influential friend to give them a boost get cold comfort from Mr. Schwab, who has come up from the ranks, and who now goes so far as to advise any young man who has an influence not to use it to get a start. Mr. Schwab laid down as the first fundamental of a successful life, "Unimpeachable integrity." Character is the biggest asset in business. A whole array of brilliant qualities will not take the place of this cornerstone of enduring success. The whole tenor of Mr. Schwab's heart-to-heart talk was a new emphasis on the old-fashioned qualities of loyalty, industry and persistence. The young man who possesses these traits is bound to succeed, for opportunity was never so great as it is today. No industry is more highly organized than the steel industry, yet with all the progress made in the last 20 years the industry is far from its zenith. So great is the magnitude of modern industry in all branches that opportunities for leadership, instead of decreasing as some imagine, have actually increased in proportion as industry itself has grown.

Big Trade in Old Papers.

A curious item of commercial news is that the east coast district of the island of Sumatra in 1918 imported 886,835 pounds of "second-hand newspapers" from the United States. Imports of the same kind of merchandise from January 1 to September 1, of last year, were 572,585 pounds. The papers are wanted to cover young sprouts of rubber trees and sugar cane. The climate of the island is very hot—as might be surmised from the circumstance that the equator runs through the middle of it—and, to prevent the sprouts burning up in the fierce sunshine, sheets of paper are spread over them. Old newspapers serve the purpose very well, each sheet being held down with stones at the corners. In Hawaii the same method of protection is adopted, but in that archipelago sheets of rice paper, imported from Japan, are used.

Evolution of Man Foreseen.

In one of his recent lectures Sir Oliver Lodge, eminent English scientist, announced that the earth would probably continue to exist for 20,000,000 years more. These are, of course, round numbers. Some scientists estimate that the earth will live for ten times this age. There have been animals of one kind and another on this planet for fully this length of time. The dinosaurs are believed to have lived through some such period. The age of man, which is probably only a few thousand years, seems the merest trifle by comparison. When we consider how man has developed during recorded history, which is less than ten thousand years, we may hope that he will evolve to an infinitely finer type in the future.—Boys' Life.

Rhubarb.

A certain East side man was cutting the dock weed in his back yard with a scythe, and his eight-year-old son was watching, seemingly engrossed in thought. Presently he asked: "Papa, why does God make dockweed?" On receiving no satisfactory reply he set to thinking again. In a few minutes he looked up again with a smile all over his face. This was his explanation: "I'll bet God got mixed up when he was making things and thought this was rhubarb."—Indianapolis News.

PROBLEMS GALORE FACE HARDING

New Administration Has a Hard Job Cut Out For Next Four Years

Washington, March 5.—Here are some of the more important of the problems, international and domestic, facing the Harding administration:

International
Peace with Germany.
Final disposition of the Treaties of Versailles and St. Germaine.
Decisions as to the entry of the United States into an association of nations.

International disarmament.
The Japanese-California question.
The Russian question, including trade with soviet Russia.
Recognition of Mexico.

Negotiations of new treaties, diplomatic and commercial, with Germany, and Austria and with new nations, Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

Japanese occupation of Siberia.
Treaty with Colombia.
Disposition of the former German cables now held by the allies.

Recognition of the new Greek government and settlement of the status of the Greek loan.
Loans to allied countries, including funding of the British and other debts to the United States.

The Anglo-French world oil agreement of San Remo.
Cuban relations.
Military occupation of Haiti and Dominican republic.

Irish question.
Philippines independence.
Self-government for Porto Rico.
Settlement of claims against Germany grown out of the war.

Settlement of claims against Mexico resulting from revolutions there.
Re-establishment of full diplomatic relations with Turkey.
Disposition of the Anglo-French American treaty for defense of France.

Domestic
Tax and tariff revision.
Soldier bonus.
Panama Canal tolls.
Immigration control.
General labor policy.
Army and navy policies.
Permanent merchant marine policy.

Re-organization of governmental departments.
Budget system.
Civil service reform.
Strengthening of prohibition laws.
Anti-trust law revision.
Disposition of enemy property seized during the war.

General reconstruction legislation—housing, farmer credits, railroad law revision and coal and packer control.

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NOTICE TO CITY TAX PAYERS

By order of the City Council a Penalty of 2 per cent. will be added to all City Taxes from March 1st, 1921 to March 15th, 1921, and after the 15th a penalty of 5 per cent. additional will be added.

T. G. PERRIN,
City Clerk and Treasurer.
Feb. 9th, 1921. 2, 9-4tc.

ORCHARD AND GARDEN NOTES

Clemson College, March.—It is not too late to spray fruit trees for the San Jose scale with commercial lime-sulphur.

The Lady Thompson is one of the best varieties of strawberries for the home garden. Early spring is an excellent planting time. Two hundred plants will supply the family table.

Prepare to spray for the brown rot and plum curculio this season. Purchase now the spray material, good burnt lime-sulphur and arsenate of lead.

The following vegetables may be planted now: beets, carrots, celery, kale, lettuce, onions, parsley, parsnips, peas, Irish potatoes, radishes, and spinach.

Start tomato plants indoors by sowing seed in a box, which should be placed in a sunny location. Earliana is a good early variety.

Start an asparagus bed this spring. Sow seed or purchase crowns. Palmetto is an excellent variety.

NOTICE CITY REGISTRATION.

The City Books of Registration are now open for registration of qualified electors, and will remain open until April 1st, 1921, at the office of the City Clerk.

T. G. PERRIN,
Registrar.
Feb. 9th, 1921. 2, 9-1tw-Apr 1

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS AND CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of the Court made in the case of William P. Greene versus Abbeville County Fair Association, all parties holding claims against the said defendant and all stockholders of said Corporation, who have not heretofore proved their claims against, and the amount of stock held by them in the said defendant Corporation, are hereby required to prove the same on or before February 28th, 1921 when an order will be made disbursing all funds now in the hands of the receivers.

(Signed) Thomas P. Thomson,
Master of Abbeville County.
February 12th, 1921.

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