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GIFTS THAT LAST

CHANCELLORS IN GERMANY

Many Men Have Tried to Keep Government Together Dur- ing Five Years of Re- public

BERLIN, Jan. 9.—There have been nine different chancellors during five years of troublous democratic regime in Germany while, in the 47 years which elapsed from the time Bismarck expanded Germany into an empire and became its first chancellor until the republic was declared, there were only eight chancellors.

Bismarck himself served 19 years before he fell out with the deposed emperor, who is now in Holland, and made way for General von Caprivi in 1890. Caprivi held office for four years and was succeeded by Prince Hohenlohe who retained office for six years. Prince Buelow then became chancellor for nine years. Von Bethmann-Hollweg took over the office in 1909 and left it eight years later.

After the Republic

Dr. Michaelis was chancellor from July until November, 1917. Count Hertling took over the office then, and held it till September, 1918. He was succeeded by Prince Max of Baden, who was in office only a few weeks. Friedrich Ebert, the present president of the Reich, became chancellor for two days, from November 9 to November 14, 1918. He marked the transition into the democratic period. After his two days of service a commission of six socialists: Ebert, Scheidemann and Landsberg of the majority party and Haase, Dittmann and Barth of the Independents, took over the government and there was no regular cabinet until February, 1919, when the national assembly met at Weimar and Philip Scheidemann became chancellor. He resigned the following June rather than sign the Versailles Treaty, and Gustav Bauer took over the office for about a year.

Hermann Mueller became chancellor in March, 1920, and remained in office three months.

Catholic Regime

Then Constantin Fehrenbach, of the Catholic party became chancellor and held the post for a year. Joseph Wirth, also of the Catholic party, came into office in May, 1921, and retired in November, 1922.

Dr. William Cuno took over the post of chancellor upon Wirth's retirement and held it till last August under the trying situation brought about by the occupation of the Ruhr by the French, and the efforts of the German government to defeat the French by passive resistance.

The catastrophic financial collapse and the decline of the mark to a point never before reached by any other great power's money forced Dr. Cuno's retirement, and Dr. Gustav Stresemann attempted to patch up what remained of the republic after the disastrous attempt to

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finance Ruhr resistance at the sacrifice of the interests of the rest of the republic.

Dr. Marx the Last

Stresemann held on till November with a coalition cabinet, but the food shortage and the mounting bread prices, together with wide-spread unemployment and the clashes of authority between the Bavarian and Saxon government and the Berlin central government, proved his undoing and he made way for Dr. William Marx, of the Catholic party, the present chancellor. Dr. Stresemann remains in the Marx cabinet as minister of foreign affairs.

Of the nine men who have held the chancellorship under the republic four were social democrats, Ebert, Scheidemann, Bauer and Mueller. Three belonged to the Catholic party, Fehrenbach, Wirth and Marx. Cuno was a non-parliamentary chancellor, having been selected as the representative of no party, and Stresemann held the chancellorship as a member of the People's party.

KETCHIKAN MILL IS CLOSED FOR REPAIRS

Plant at Alaskan Centre Makes Record in Remaining Open Until Late Date

KETCHIKAN, Jan. 9.—The Ketchikan Spruce Mill is closed to make repairs for the coming season's work. The mill made a record in staying open until this time, and will remain closed for only two or three weeks.

It has been the custom in the past to close the mill for at least a month during the winter due to weather conditions, and in some cases because of lack of orders. Word from the north indicates that the mills up there were forced to close several weeks ago, due to unfavorable conditions of the weather.

The work of repairing is being rushed through, and it is hoped that the opening will take place as planned.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS

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Orders by Major J. W. Nicholls commanding:—

School of Instruction.—A Provisional School of Infantry has been authorized at Prince Rupert, for a period of five weeks commencing January 8th, 1924.

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Loyal Order of Moose meeting tonight 7 p.m. Smoker after meeting. Friends cordially invited.

Miss F. Aitchison has arrived in the city from Ladysmith and joined the stenographic staff of Williams, Manson & Gonzales.

Dance by crew of S.S. Prince George in De Luxe Hall, Wednesday night from 9 till 2. Refreshments. Gentlemen 50c. Ladies free.

H. F. Pullen, editor of the Daily News, who has been holidaying at Victoria with his family, is returning to the city on the Prince Rupert this afternoon.

The Canadian National steamer Prince Rupert, Capt. J. McKernan, due to arrive from Vancouver and wayports at 4 o'clock this afternoon, is reported on time.

Alex. McRae of the McRae Bros. is returning home on the Prince Rupert this afternoon with his bride, formerly Miss Rose Wall, R.N. They were married recently at Departure Bay, Vancouver Island.

Herbert Valpy appeared before Magistrate McClymont in the city police court this morning charged with committing an indecent act before a girl, 8 years of age, on McBride Street yesterday afternoon. The case was adjourned until tomorrow morning.

OLD COUNTRY BOOKINGS

Passports secured and tickets issued by White Star, Cunard and Anchor-Donaldson Lines. The Canadian National Railways make direct connections with steamers of these lines. Full information at City Ticket Office, Canadian National Railways, 528 Third Avenue, Prince Rupert, B.C. Phone 269.

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