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WILSON ISN'T RELISHED AS A PEACE FACTOR

NEITHER DOES BERLIN
ISH HOPES FOR EARLY
PEACE IN EUROPE.

GERMANS WANT WILSON TO SHOW MORE PRESTIGE

Declare in Berlin That He Hasn't the
International Prestige to Convince
Germans of His Attitude—Wilson
Tells Callers What He Believes Is
Best Policy.

BY CARL W. ACKERMAN.
(Unted Press Correspondent.)
Berlin, May 25.—German officials
do not cherish hopes of an early end
of the war despite peace talk in Wash-
ington, Berlin and London. Great in-
terest was manifested in President
Wilson's Mecklenburg speech, how-
ever. It was widely printed in the
newspapers.

Believe France Will Balk.
Officials believe that France will
prevent peace until after the expected
allied offensive.

Conservative newspapers do not re-
lish the idea of Wilson as a peace
maker.

Prestige Is Inadequate.
The Lokal Anzeiger declared this
morning "Wilson must prove a
change in his attitude by demanding
and enforcing respect of international
law before undertaking a more diffi-
cult role."

Wilson's Policy Clear.
Washington, May 25.—When Presi-
dent Wilson moves toward peace he
will act in behalf of all Europe, not a
single group of nations. This was
told to callers at the White House
this morning and may cover his ad-
dress Saturday night before the
League to Enforce Peace meeting.

The President today discussed his
position freely, indicating he is bas-
ing his attitude on a vast amount of
information from various sources. He
didn't disclose anything that might
foreclose immediate steps in behalf of
peace.

It is understood President Wilson
favors having Congress pass a resolu-
tion providing that he call a con-
ference of all nations after the war
to adopt plans to prevent recurrence
of the hostilities.

TENT RESERVATION DUE.

Two Weeks of Camping for \$5.00 In-
cluding Light, Is Price.

C. J. Black, of the Chautauqua
board, announces that the time has
arrived when it is advisable for those
who want tents for the meeting this
year to make their applications for
the same. The rental price is \$5 for
the Chautauqua season June 25th to
July 4th. In addition to that the
board supplies the wiring for lights
and the electric current without ex-
tra charge for the tents which are
located within the regular Chautauqua
"city." Those who want to place
their tents on other parts of the park
grounds outside of the "city" limits,
will be required to do their own wir-
ing but the "juice" will be furnished
without cost. Those who desire to
lease tents should see Mr. Black at
once. People who wish to reserve the
same location they have had hereto-
fore should see Mr. Thomas, the
parkkeeper at the park. Other
reservations for location of tents may
be arranged with Parkkeeper Thomas
as may be satisfactorily agreed upon.
In any case, those who want tents
from the association should attend to
the matter without delay. See Mr.
Black for the leasing and Mr. Thomas
for the locations.

MRS. BRIGHAM DEAD.

Lady Formerly Josephine Palmer Is
Victim of Cancer.

Josephine Palmer Brigham died last
night at the family home at the West
end of M avenue, after a prolonged
period of suffering from cancer. The
funeral will be held tomorrow after-
noon from the Bohnenkamp chapel at
2:30 with Miss Olive Childers of the
Salvation Army officiating. Interment
will take place in the Masonic
cemetery.

She is survived by her husband and
a daughter, Bessie.

PROJECT IS BEGUN.

Section Hands Tearing Up Track
Where New Stalls Go.

Section hands today are tearing up
switching tracks on the West end of
the present round house to make
room for the nine additional round
house stalls to be built this summer
by the O. W. here.

STOCK SHOW IS LAUDED SKY HIGH

UNION BOOSTER TEAMS COVER
TWO COUNTIES.

Special Train From Wallowa Being
Worked Up by Stock Show Pro-
moters.

Despite the gloom of an unseason-
able "Oregon mist," a busy brigade
of Horse Show scouts blew in from
Union yesterday evening just to say
that the big show is going to be June
14 to 16, inclusive. Invitation list
covers Pan-America and the civilized
portions of Europe, with the biggest
backing of horse show enthusiasm
ever yet un-tapped. Bob Withy-
combe, Mickey Levy, Tony Smith and
Frank Hall billed La Grande while
Will Vogel, L. Z. Tarrell and Jim
Miller, the O. W. R. & N. passenger
agent went toward Joseph to arrange
for a special excursion from Wallowa
county points. And of course what-
ever the horse show boosters say "has
to go" it goes.

HOUSE PASSES O-C LAND BILL

MAJORITY FOR MEASURE IS
OVERWHELMING.

Foster Amendment Reducing Coun-
ties' Share Defeated.

Washington, May 25.—The Oregon-
California land grant bill passed the
House today by an overwhelming
vote. Rep. Foster's amendment pro-
viding counties in Oregon received 20
per cent of the proceeds for the sale
of lands, instead of 30 per cent, was
defeated.

Johnson, of Washington, opposed
the measure, declaring it would result
in more litigation and confusion and
the land would be placed in the na-
tional reserve afterwards, further
hampering development of Oregon.

PLAYGROUNDS BETTERED.
Numerous Play Paraphernalia To Be
Added to Riverside Park.

Extensive additions in the way of
playground facilities are to be added
at once to the superb municipal park
on the Grande Ronde river. Bob Mas-
tersen is now making a big whirl for
the park, a slide and a teeter totter
which will be less dangerous than the
one now in use. Mr. Mastersen is
donating the work, and his generosity
will be greatly appreciated by the
public. Thousands of children will en-
joy them this summer.

The Park commission is also going
to do some desirable improvements,
chief of which will be a wading pool
built of cement, for the little folks. It
is to give all the pleasures of wading
in a truly, real river, but be minus
the dangers, for the water cannot
reach a dangerous depth in it.

CONVENTION CALL OUT.

Socialists to Name Ticket in Con-
vention June 12th.

An official call has been issued by
the Socialist Central committee con-
sisting of M. M. Marquis, W. S. Wal-
lace and B. E. Morehouse, for a nomi-
nating convention to be held June
12th in this city. The party will at
that time name a county ticket and
transact such other business as may
come before it.

CASEMENT INDICTED.

High Treason Filed Against Noble-
man and a Private.

London, May 25.—Sir Roger Case-
ment and Private Bailey were indicted
today for high treason. Sir Case-
ment will be tried June 26.
The nobleman and the private were
chief figures in the recent Irish re-
volt.

BIG SHIP SUNK.

Largest Submarine Victim in Several
Weeks Reported.

London, May 25.—The British
steamer Washington has been subma-
rined and destroyed, it is announced.
She was the largest submarine victim
in several weeks, registering
5000 tons.

Set Stakes for Building.

Under charge of Engineer W. C.
Froman, of the O. W. R. & N., sur-
veyors today set the stakes for the
new building for the La Grande Gro-
cery company to be located on the
railroad company's grounds just west
of the Employees' club building. The
size of the building will be 108x110
feet or about the same ground space
as that occupied by the Island City M.
& M. company building.

Eggs Further Prohibition

Pierre, S. D., May 25.—Hens are
laying for South Dakota prohibition
today. Women prohibition workers
are to use all profits from the sale of
eggs this week for a fund to further
prohibition in this state.

NUTCRACKER FASTENS ITS FANGS ON NEW TERRITORY

BERLIN STATEMENT DENIES DOUAUMONT WAS
CAPTURED BY FRENCH, AND LAY CLAIM
TO SUBSTANTIAL ADVANCEMENT

THIRTY THOUSAND KILLED IN RESULTLESS COMBAT

Three-Mile Front Reported To Have Advanced—Dead-
man's Hill Saw Execution of an Entire French Army
Corps Is Claim of the Germans—Exhausted Infantry-
men Slacken Their Attacks.

Berlin, May 25.—With the bloodiest fighting in all
history, the right jaw of the giant German Nutcracker has
advanced its front along a stretch three miles long during
the past 70 hours. It is asserted the French sacrificed an
entire army corps in their effort to retain Deadman's Hill,
and then evacuated the whole stronghold. Germans and
French jointly hold Hill 304.

It is estimated 30,000 died in fighting in dark under-
ground caverns in the ruins of Douaumont with no result-
ant change of the battle line.

Deny Capture of Douaumont

Germans positively deny that French captured Dou-
aumont, which Germans took from the French some time
ago. The imperial government declares the French de-
tachment which entered the fort was entirely obliterated.

Since Sunday neither side has been able to reach the
dead and wounded lying between the lines in the vicinity
of Douaumont.

Infantrymen Now Exhausted

Paris, May 25.—French advanced last night east of
Cummiries with grenade attacks, the Germans attacking
strongly. They took a French trench north of the Haudre-
mont quarries but infantry struggles at Douaumont and
Deadman's Hill have slackened. The French have not at-
tempted to advance further at Cummiries because they
will be exposed to flanking attacks.

Through complete exhaustion infantrymen in opera-
tions on both sides have temporarily halted.

RISTMAN'S BODY IS FOUND

Portland, May 25.—The body of
Fred Ristman, the missing jilted in
the Jennings murder mystery was
found this morning two miles from
the Gore homestead where the mur-
derer crushed the skull of Mrs. Helen
Jennings. The murderer dragged
Ristman's body to the brush. It was
lying face down, the back of the head
crushed with a terrific blow. The
body was found near where the sheriff
discovered Ristman's glove yesterday.

The murderer had evidently killed
and hidden Ristman before going to
the Gore home to kill Mrs. Jennings.

TEACHERS BEGIN EXODUS TO SUMMER VACATIONS

An exodus of teaching staffs that
will lead to South America, the East,
North and South, beings tomorrow
night when high school grade teach-
ers hie away to new positions, or per-
haps to enjoyable vacations. Some
will remain in and near La Grande. A
considerable portion are bidding fare-
well to La Grande for keeps, in that
they have new positions. Among
those are several high school teachers.
As soon as the school year officially
ends tomorrow, the exodus begins—
in fact one has already gone. The
customary hymenial inroads is re-
duced this year, but one teacher be-
ing known to contemplate that step
this summer.

City Superintendent and Mrs. John
Girdler leave about July first for Og-
den, their future home.
High School Principal Chas. A. Ol-
san and wife will go to Portland.
Miss MacMillan will probably take
the longest journey of any. Her des-
tination is Brazil where she will visit
her brother and tour South America
extensively.

Miss Koch will visit middlewestern
cities, principally in Illinois and also
Columbia university.

Miss Deborah Smith goes back to
Indiana and will return next year.
Mr. McIntosh and Mrs. McIntosh
will sojourn most of the Summer in
La Grande, with possibility of a trip
to San Diego but next year they will
be located in Missoula.

Mr. McNeill goes to Ohio to spend
the Summer, expecting to return in
the fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Henline leave tomor-
row night for Kearney, Neb., where
Mr. Henline has a splendid position as
mathematics instructor in the Kear-
ney Normal school. Mr. Welper has

position in the same institution.

Mr. Morrow will go to Oxford,
Ohio for the Summer. He will not re-
turn here.

Mr. McEachran has not definitely
determined his Summer plans, but
will probably go east.

Miss Edwards will go to Summer
school, probably at Berkeley.

Miss Howard will Summer in Mis-
souri. She expects to return in the
fall, as does also Miss Gunderson who
goes to North Dakota for the Sum-
mer.

Grade school principals will likely
scatter during the Summer. Mr. and
Mrs. Prince go to Denver, Mr. Kellogg
to Washington state, and Mrs. Neill
remains here this being her home.

The grade teachers are to Summer
in many sections of the country. Miss
Foss, Miss Spencer and Miss Gilmroe
go to Denver.

Miss Boggs and Miss Mitchell go
east, the former to Ohio the latter to
Wisconsin.

Miss Lou Jones will visit in Penn-
sylvania and Miss Janet Jones will
probably go to Summer school.

Among those who will spend most
of the Summer in and around La
Grande are Mrs. Jackson, Miss
Chandler, Mrs. Ingle, Miss McHugh,
Miss Leadsworth, Miss Anderson,
Miss Snider, Miss Kame, Miss Bork,
Miss Ghormley, Miss Osterling, Miss
Sarah Smith, Carolyn White, Miss
Mason and Miss Deal.

Mrs. Watson goes to Walla Walla
to join her husband. She does not re-
turn.

Mrs. Carpy will Summer in Lew-
iston, Mont., where Mr. Carpy is lo-
cated.

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GRADE PUPILS DEFY WEATHER

CAMPUS PICNIC RUINED BUT
WHAT CARE THEY.

Individual Rooms Have Basket
Lunches and Other Last-day
Festivities.

The high school class has not a
monopoly of the functions marking
the close of the school year. All the
grade pupils are also having a "time"
today. This consists of an in-door
picnic and luncheon with other festi-
vities at the different grade schools.
Each youngster is supplying some-
thing in the way of edibles and delica-
cies and the whole contribution goes
into a common collation. The teach-
ers in the grades are sharing with
their pupils the festivities of the oc-
casion. It was the intention at first
to hold a general picnic and dinner at
the high school campus, but the
weather conditions are not favorable
for such an assemblage so each school
is having its own gathering at the
different ward schools.

DANCES, CARDS ARE TABOO STILL

GENERAL CONFERENCE ACTS
FINALLY ON ISSUE.

Minority Has Considerable Strength,
But Not Enough.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., May 25.—
Voting 454 to 350 the Methodist gen-
eral conference this afternoon decided
to retain the church rule against
playing cards, and against dancing.
Theatres also remain under the ban.

There was no debate on the ques-
tion, the committee having previously
threw out the proposition.

FALL CAUSES DEATH.

Leigh Jack Fatally Injured in Mining
Shaft Near Baker.

Leigh Jack, employed in the Rain-
bow mine in Baker county, met with
death in a fall of a hundred feet down
a shaft in the mine night before last.
The deceased was a young man and a
brother of Wm. Jack, formerly of La
Grande and recently engaged in log-
ging contracting down the Grande
Ronde river. The brother was in La
Grande last night en route to
Baker where the funeral was held to-
day in charge of the Baker lodge of
Odd Fellows.

According to reports the victim of
the accident fell from the hoisting
carrage and his death was almost in-
stantaneous. A coroner's investiga-
tion returned a verdict of accidental
death.

And He Got 14,923 Votes

Lincoln, Neb., May 25.—Robert G.
Ross, the Lexington, Neb., livery
stable proprietor who received 9,417
votes in the Nebraska Democratic pri-
mary in his contest with President
Wilson for the Democratic presi-
dential nomination, and who also re-
ceived 5,506 votes in his contest for
the Republican presidential nomi-
nation, believes he is well fitted to serve
the people of the United States as
their president.

Because of Mr. Ross' rather large
vote in both primaries, W. L. Gaston,
of Wayne, wrote to him asking for
a statement of his views, training and
qualifications for the office of chief
executive of the nation. Mr. Ross
sent the following courteous reply:

Lexington, Neb., Apr. 24, 1916.

Mr. W. L. Gaston,

Dear sir your card received and
will say that I was borned in Repley
Ohio. My parents moved from there
when I was 2 years old to Cattets-
burg, K Y was educated ther and at
Portsmouth Ohio, and raised as a
Methodist of which my parents was
when about I came to Nebraska Lex-
ington Dawson Co about 31 years ago
was on ranches and later a farmer for
about 25 years different things a short
time in the above mentioned was a
Member of vangelical Church in early
days and now a member of Presby-
terian here in Lexington Neb for
about 9 years. have never taken a
drink of Liquor nor my Father either
since I was old enough to know till he
died you preachers ought to get
Rusy and give the delegats to under-
stand what your intentions is if they
nominate a man of Whiskey type or
one going it tou faced as some of them
is very truly—Robert G. Ross Lex-
ington Neb.

Last of Old Police Lieutenants Retire

New York, May 25.—John Wheeler,
vice captain in charge of the Rock-
away Beach station, will retire from
the service here today. Captain Wieg-
and is the last of the old police in-
spectors who came under the rules of
the department prior to 1907. He is
69 years old and a veteran of the
Civil War. He enlisted as a drummer
boy in 1861 and later saw service in
the cavalry. He has been in the po-
lice department since 1869. His pen-
sion will be \$1,750 a year as long as
he lives.

WOMEN'S CLUB BEGGS PART IN PEACE EFFORT

NATIONAL PRESIDENT AD-
DRESSES DELEGATES FROM
ALL STATES IN UNION.

ENORMOUS ENDOWMENT IS ANNOUNCED AS A VERITY

Mrs. Pennypacker, Delivering Annual
Address to National Federation of
Women's Clubs, Urges That Wom-
en Have Hand in Creating Peace—
Fosters Pan-American Spirit.

New York, May 25.—Expressing
the hope that women of the United
States through the national Federa-
tion of Women's club, have a part in
bringing world peace, Mrs. Penn-
ypacker, national president, delivered
the opening address to the convention
of Federated clubs, representatives
being present from every state in the
Union, including Oregon representa-
tives which embrace Mrs. J. T. Wil-
liamson of La Grande.

Mrs. Pennypacker urged improv-
ing in rural life and Americanizing
immigrants and cultivation of the
Pan-American spirit.

Moving pictures were the main
topic of consideration at the first
formal session.

BY MRS. W. K. JAMES.
(Field Chairman of Endowment of
Women's Clubs.)

New York, May 25.—We are ready
to announce that the \$100,000 endow-
ment fund of the Federated clubs has
been fully contributed by the club-
women of the United States. The an-
nouncement will be formally made at
the National Convention now going on
here. When the growing need of a
larger income for the General Federa-
tion became too great to be ignored
it was proposed either to increase the
dues or raise an endowment. Larger
dues might shut out some clubs from
membership and the women gathered
at Cincinnati for the Biennial Con-
vention of 1910 realized the value, not
only to the club women themselves,
but to the country as a whole, of this
body of women coming together from
every state and from almost every
condition of life to plan for the com-
mon welfare. Women who were
learning to understand and sympa-
thize with circumstances foreign to
their own home surroundings and to
recognize the obligation resting on
them to do their share in building up
the nation.

Object Finally Attained.

To reduce the number of those
brought under the influence of the
General Federation could not be con-
sidered so the plan of an endowment
was adopted. At the Convention in
Cincinnati, 1910, it was voted to raise
an endowment of \$100,000. At the
Convention in San Francisco, 1912,
the endowment was presented to the
club women in a series of striking and
effective talks under the direction of
Mrs. Pennypacker, and it was shown
to be well started toward success. At
the Convention in Chicago, 1914, the
last \$20,000 was promised.

FIGHTS DEATH HEROICALLY

Spokane Millionaire, Twice Reported
Dead, Regains Breath

Portland, May 25.—Charles Sweet-
ney, a millionaire Spokane miner is
believed to be dying today following an
operation. Death was twice an-
nounced this morning, but he rallied
and regained his breath each time.

SECOND NIECE DIES

Mrs. Fred Gaskil Hears of Untimely
Death of a Niece

Less than a week after her niece,
Kathleen Thomas Kay, died and was
buried, Mrs. Fred Gaskil of this city
learned of the untimely death of an-
other niece, of 20 years—about the
age of Mrs. Kay. The last demise in
that family occurred at The Dalles
when Clarice Edwards, a school teach-
er at Wasco, died from appendicitis.
She was ill but a short time.

The remains were shipped through
La Grande this morning en route to
Vale where three brothers and three
sisters reside. The parents are dead.
The funeral will probably not be at-
tended by Mrs. Gaskil.

LYDD GEORGE CONTROLS

Irish Situation Is Given Over to Him
Without Any Strings

London, May 25.—Lloyd George has
been given full charge of the Irish
situation, Premier Asquith announced
in the Commons today.