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PEACE TERMS RECEIVED AT WASHINGTON

ENGLAND WANTS REPARATION FOR LOSS SUFFERED

BONAR LAW TELLS COMMONS WHAT NEW MINISTRY EXPECTS TO HAVE ACCOMPLISHED

PEACE POSSIBILITIES ARE SEEMINGLY VERY SLIGHT

Official Document from Berlin Received in Washington and Is to Be Forwarded to the Belligerents Post Haste—New War Credit Is Asked For—Daily Cost to Allies Is Enormous.

London, Dec. 14.—(United Press)—Bonar Law announced today the new government intends to create ministers of food and labor. He said the government had taken action in the case of Captain Blaikie, of the steamer Caledonian. Germans captured Blaikie and threatened to execute him for ramming a submarine. Britain is preparing for a long war. Law moved a vote of a credit of four hundred million pounds. He said the daily war expenses are over twenty-seven million dollars. The votes for credit since the war began total eighteen billion, seven hundred million dollars.

He said peace proposals have not arrived. Regarding the proposals, Law said: "We cannot discuss them now. I will repeat Asquith's statement that there must be adequate reparation for the past and adequate security for the future."

Washington, Dec. 14.—(United Press)—Germany's peace proposals have reached the state department and were immediately forwarded to the belligerents. Secretary Crew at Berlin transmitted the confidential memorandum to President Wilson and Secretary Lansing.

Mr. Wilson's closest advisers have said the president will offer his services in the event Lloyd George is willing to discuss the proposals, but the United States plans to keep out if the allies are determined to continue fighting.

Unofficial indications are the allies' attitude is not encouraging.

Fowler Suit For Damages Is Ended

Jury Brought in a Verdict This Morning for the Defendants—False Imprisonment Alleged.

Enterprise, Dec. 14.—(Special)—After being at issue since last Saturday, the trial of Ward Fowler against the E. M. & M. company, of Enterprise, for false imprisonment, resulted in a verdict for the defendant. Mr. Fowler sued for \$10,000 damages, and included as defendants not only the E. M. & M. company of this city, for whom he previously worked, but the sheriff of Union county and his bondsmen. This was brought about through the fact that Fowler was detained by the Union county authorities without a warrant, on the request of the interested parties at Enterprise. Fowler was held for a time on verbal complaint of his former employer, who alleged larceny on the part of Fowler, but Fowler was completely exonerated of the charge without trial, investigation showing him to have been entirely innocent of any wrong doing. In due course of time, Fowler retaliated by filing the damage suit.

The jury brought in a verdict this morning.

MURDERER OVERTAKEN BY POSSE AND KILLED

Bakersfield, Dec. 14.—(United Press)—A police posse shot and killed E. Notoli, an Italian, following the murder of Mrs. D. Benideni, a boarding house keeper. The posse hunted Notoli for 18 hours, who ran through sagebrush barefooted.

English Editor Says Germany Chaotic

BY NORD NORTHLIFFE
(Written for the United Press)

London, Dec. 14.—(Copyrighted in United States and Great Britain)—Germany's peace proposals are due to the fact grave internal discussions have arisen on account of food shortage and a reign of terror. Relations are strained between various German and Austrian states and Turkey. The Kaiser has learned that the British plan the greatest effort next year.

France, Russia Italy and Little Belgium are as firm as Plymouth Rock.

Decorative Trees On Street Sought

Atmosphere of Christmas Advocated By Installation of Christmas Trees at Principal Intersections in City.

Businessmen of the city are advocating a group of Christmas trees for intersections as were used last year. Several today favored the plan, saying it lends a Yuletide atmosphere that is inculcated in no other way. While the municipal Christmas tree services are to be held Christmas eve at the intersection of Depot and Fourth, it is proposed that the city officials install trees at the principal business intersections and light them up so that the spirit of Christmas holidays was liked so well that many businessmen are lonesome without them this year. They argue that the cost would be normal, and the results in the way of civic attention to the holiday period really worth while.

MRS. DELLA WRIGHT OF UNION PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Della Wright, esteemed citizen of Union, and mother of County Clerk Ed Wright, died last night at her home in Union. She suffered a paralytic stroke several weeks ago, but was gradually recovering therefrom when seized with heart failure. At the last family Thanksgiving dinner she was able to be up and talk some, and also move about a little.

Her son, Ed Wright, is now in Portland and will stay there to await the coming of the body for interment beside the remains of the husband in a Portland cemetery. Other sons are Lucius of Union, and Claude of Portland. Miss Georgia Wright of Union, is a daughter. The deceased was 68 years of age.

SANTA ROSALIA TAKEN AGAIN BY VILLISTAS

Juarez, Dec. 14.—(United Press)—Villistas have again captured Santa Rosalia, south of Chihuahua. Three hundred Carranzistas are garrisoned in the town. There is continuous skirmishing on the Mexican Central railway at Ortiz, 30 miles south. The main Villista army is believed to be west of Chihuahua.

\$650 YEARLING IS ADDED TO HERD

The famous Hereford yearling bull which was sold at the Portland Livestock show to Andrew Blockland of this city for \$650, has arrived. It was tied up on a side track for a time this morning, where it attracted much attention and admiration. The valuable animal is a beauty even to the uncultured eye. Experts pronounce it a marvel and a splendid addition to the Blockland herd, which already has a great deal of money invested in it.

SUBMARINE H-3 AGROUND OFF EUREKA COASTLINE

Eureka, Dec. 14.—(United Press)—The submarine H-3 ran aground this morning outside Humboldt bay. Watchers believed the superstructure breaking up this afternoon, and it is feared the crew will perish. Lieutenants H. R. Bogusch and H. F. Zemke are aboard. Heavy breakers are pounding the submarine and it is tossed about like a log. Life savers were unable to get close but are attempting to shoot a line aboard. It is believed the sailors are so badly injured they are unable to help themselves on account of the terrific seas. The fog is the heaviest in years.

The submarine's outlines are dimly discerned. The H-3 had engine trouble at Astoria and it is feared the engines have collapsed. The Monitor Cheyenne ran inside the breakers attempting a rescue.

Sergeants As School Teachers.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 14.—Several worthy young men who were physically qualified but whose educational opportunities have been so limited as to prove an obstacle to military service, are now being coached in the "rule of three" and other primary studies, by Sergeants Buck and Murphy of the local recruiting station, who have established a night school to help aspiring applicants to gain eligibility for service in the United States marines.

Men serving in all branches of the

Second Jury In Liquor Case Hangs

O. R. Barnes Case Deliberated Upon Twelve Hours Without a Verdict—Liquor Disposition Undecided.

Elgin, Dec. 14.—(Special)—After another long and hard-fought battle, the jury which heard the trial of O. R. Barnes on a charge of conducting a nuisance at Elgin, in that he is said to have had too much liquor in his possession at one time, failed to agree. This is the second time within a month that this has happened. It required a day and a half to get a jury of six men, 30 being examined. It required a half day to try the case and 12 hours for the jury to disagree. While no announcement has been made as to a retrial, it is reported that if a new trial is decided upon, it will be brought to issue very promptly.

The question of what shall be done with the liquor Barnes brought in from Utah in an auto, is still under deliberation by the justice of the peace.

More Steamers Sunk.

London, Dec. 14.—(United Press)—Lloyds have announced the British steamers Harlington, Harley and St. Ursula have been sunk and their crews lost.

Deportation Protest Answered.

Washington, Dec. 14.—(United Press)—Germany's answer to the United States' Belgian deportations protest has arrived. It offers explanations for the deportations and declares the acts were necessary and no brutality or inhuman treatment were used.

NATIONAL DRY BILL FAVORED BY COMMITTEE

HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ACTS FAVORABLY ON FOOD PRICE PROBE, TOO

SUFFRAGE BILL BROUGHT IN SANS RECOMMENDATION

Literacy Test Clause Attached to Immigration Bill Has Passed by Big Majority, But It Is Understood President Wilson Will Again Veto Measure When Time Comes.

Washington, Dec. 14.—(United Press)—The senate today passed the immigration bill with the literacy test clause attached, 64 to 7. President Wilson once vetoed the literacy clause and it is said he will do so again, if put to him. The house judiciary committee today reported favorably on the nation-wide prohibition bill and reported in the suffrage bill without recommendation. They favorably reported the food investigation act.

Senator Soulsbury, of Delaware, was elected president pro tem of the senate today.

STATE APPORTIONMENT FOR COUNTY ANNOUNCED

Union county must contribute \$56,214.60 toward the upkeep of the state. This item was determined at Salem today, and when the county court meets in special session Dec. 18 it will include that amount in the sums to be raised for various purposes in this county, and then establish the final tax levy for Union county.

Reserved Seat Sale.

Reserved tickets for the High School Operetta may now be had at Silverthorn's. The Operetta is Friday night.

MRS. CARLSON PASSES AWAY

News of Old Lady's Demise Reaches La Grande Friends (Judith Gap, Mont., Journal)

Mrs. Charlotte Amelia Carlson passed away at the Abraham Olson home on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 30, 1916, at age of 89 years, 4 months and 3 days. Her son John T. Carlson and his family, and her daughter, Miss Anna C. Carlson, of La Grande, Ore., were with her at the time of her death.

She came here from La Grande early in July to visit for a short time at the home of her son, who is now residing on his daughter's homestead west of Oka, since selling his ranch adjoining town on the north, last spring to F. H. Kelling. After spending a time out there, she went over near Bercail, where she stayed with her grandson, Carl Carlson, who has

ENORMOUS LIST OF ENGLISHMEN CALLED TO ARMS

EVEN MILLION ADDITIONAL MEN PROVIDED FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1917

MACKENZEN PUSHING ON AGAINST THE ROUMANIANS

Roumanians Abandon Big Railroad—Russians Pounding Away, With Little Apparent Success—Teutons Continue Attack on Bezue and Russian Cavalry Fights the Enemy.

Mackenzon Continues Strides. Berlin, Dec. 14.—(United Press via Sayville)—General von Mackenzon has reported progress on the whole Roumanian front, despite bad roads. Roumanians have abandoned all the great Wallachia-South Bucharest-Cenavoda railroad.

The Russians have continued unsuccessful attacks in the Argues valley and the Giugy mountains. Heavy Carpathian artillery is going on.

Petrograd, Dec. 14.—(United Press)—It is announced the Teutons have continued their Bezue attacks. The Russian cavalry fought the enemy southwest of the city and advanced westward, co-operating with the infantry.

London, Dec. 14.—(United Press)—The war office supplementary estimate provides an additional million men of all ranks for the year ending March 31, 1917. This makes a total of 5,000,000 in a 12-month period.

a ranch there. On November 15, she was taken ill and before she could be taken to the Carlson home she became so bad that she had to be left at the Abraham Olson home, where she died.

Charlotte Amelia Peterson was born on July 27, 1827, at Stockholm, Sweden, near where she was married to Carl T. Carlson in 1858. In early girlhood she became a Christian and during her entire life she was a devout church member and a good Christian woman. Mr. Carlson died some seven years after their marriage, in Copenhagen, while en route to this country. It was a considerable length of time after his death that his wife learned of it, owing to the poor manner of sending news at that time.

In the fall of 1879 she and her son and daughter, John T. and Miss Anna, came to this country. At first they settled in Massachusetts, later they went to Chicago, then to Minnesota, and in 1889 they all moved to Great Falls, where she resided for over 15 years; then came here and spent nearly two years on the homestead with her son and his family, then she went to La Grande, Ore., where her daughter, Miss Anna had located, and where they have made their home ever since. Many of the early settlers here will remember Mrs. Carlson, who during her stay here, over 10 years ago, was very active in church work, she having organized the Baptist Sunday school class, which is continued to this day.

Besides her son and daughter, and grandchildren, she leaves a large host of friends here and at La Grande, who will greatly mourn her demise.

driver) in which spectators and drivers met with disaster, and this list will be appended to her petition.

"Every wife or mother or sweetheart of an automobile racer goes through a living death during the course of every race," Mrs. Hughes continued. "The horror of it is nerve-racking; one never knows what instant the news will be flashed that a loved one is dead. And what a horrible, mangled, unspeakable death it is."

RABBIT DRIVE SUNDAY

Weather permitting, the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club will hold its annual drive next Sunday. Telocast will be the hunting grounds. The members will go in automobiles. As rabbits are scarce, it is necessary a big delegation go to procure rabbits for the hassen-puffer.

Widow of Famous Automobile Driver Launches A Campaign Against Racing

(Staff Special)

Los Angeles, Dec. 13.—A battle against "automobile racing murder" is to become the campaign of Mrs. Hughie Hughes, widow of the famous buzz wagon driver who was killed at Uniontown, Pa.

Mrs. Hughes intends launching her campaign for legislation against automobile racing in every state of the Union.

At the Championship Award Sweepstakes automobile race held at Ascot park speedway in this city last Thanksgiving day, Dario Resta was crowned king of the world's auto speedsters.

Scarcely a week later extras blazed forth on the streets of this country's foremost cities announcing the untimely death of Hughie Hughes, famous race driver.

Hughie was killed at the first meet ever held at the new speedway at Uniontown, Pa. His wife, awaiting him in this city, learned first of his death from Los Angeles extras.

And straightforth in the cozy little Hughes apartments here tears and heartbreaking sorrow drove out the happiness which prevailed in anticipation of the home-coming of the famous driver.

And along with the grief, something else has come to Mrs. Hughes—bitterness. Bitterness, and hatred of the sport which took as its toll her husband's life.

"My husband was slain!—that is the word which properly expresses



Mrs. Hughie Hughes Denounces Speedway Pastime as "Murder"—Asks all Women to Destroy Suspense Which Is Portion of Wives Whose "Men" Steers a Speed Demon.

it," says Mrs. Hughes. "He is a martyr to the thing the world calls sport."

"The shocking fate my husband met forcefully points the reason why automobile racing should be stopped," says Mrs. Hughes. "Prizefighting has been outlawed because of its brutality, yet racing is permitted in spite of the fact that it yearly takes an appalling toll of life, not only in drivers but amongst the spectators as well."

"Take, for instance, the recent Grand Prize race at Santa Monica. A driver and three spectators was the price paid in that case. And at Uniontown, two besides my husband were claimed by the death grip of the Speed Demon. And yet they call it sport. I call it murder."

"The women of this country, especially the widows of drivers killed, should unite in a demand for legislation that will stop this dreadful game. And the newspapers should stop glorifying it. Think of it! The press of this country condoning and encouraging a bloody pastime that brings such untold suffering in the form of disaster to participant and onlooker alike."

Mrs. Hughes intends to put up a petition signed by the widows of dead drivers and submit it to the legislatures in states where auto racing is permitted in the hope that action will be taken which will prohibit the sport. She has catalogued all the accidents for the past six years (the time during which her husband was a race