

TREATY WAS SIGNED AT 3:13 P. M.

END OF WAR FORMALLY ANNOUNCED BY NAMES BEING AFFIXED.

GERMANS SIGNED FIRST; PRES. WILSON SECOND

Ceremony Was Completed at 3:49 P. M.—Chinese Delegates Did Not Sign and Were Not Present—South African Delegate Signed Under Protest Not Being Satisfied Entirely.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PARIS, June 28.—The treaty of peace between Germany and the Allies was signed today in the historic Hall of Mirrors at Versailles, bringing to an end the world war, which began four years ago.

The treaty must be ratified by the signatory nations and separate treaties must be signed between the nations and those which were aligned with Germany in the war.

"Today's event marked virtually the close of the war.

The ceremony of signing began at 3:13 p. m., Paris time.

Dr. Mueller and Dr. Johannes Bell, German delegates, signed first. Then President Wilson and the other Americans, then the British and those of other nationalities in turn.

The ceremony was completed at 3:49 p. m., although cannon signals heralding completion began at 3:44.

The Chinese delegates did not sign and were not present.

Christian Smuts, representing the Union of South Africa, signed under protest, being dissatisfied with certain territorial settlements.

The ceremony of signing the peace terms was brief. Premier Clemenceau called the session to order in the Hall of Mirrors at the Chateau de Versailles at 3:10 o'clock. The signing began when Dr. Hermann Mueller and Johannes Bell, the German signatories, affixed their names. Herr Mueller signed at 3:12 o'clock and Herr Bell at 3:13 o'clock. President Wilson, first of the allied delegates, signed a minute later. At 3:45 o'clock the momentous session was concluded.

All the diplomats and members of their parties wore civilian clothes. There was a marked lack of gold lace and pageantry. There were few of the fanciful uniforms of the middle ages whose traditions and practices are so sternly condemned in the great seal-covered document signed today.

A spot of color was made against this sombre background by the French guards. A few selected members of the Guard were resplendent in their red-plumed silver helmets and red, white and blue uniform.

WASHINGTON IS QUIET. WASHINGTON, June 28.—Word of the consummation of peace was received by the national capital with scarcely a flutter of popular or official sentiment.

At the White House and the State Department the news aroused only a quiet feeling of satisfaction that the prearranged program for the signing at Versailles had gone through. In congress there was but a momentary demonstration and on the streets the crowds gave no show of interest.

The story of the historic ceremony, flashed over a direct wire to the State Department, was given to the press in bulletins, keeping close touch with the developments in the Hall of Mirrors. The account was brief and was made public without comment by department officials.

As soon as the signing was concluded President Wilson's message to the American people announcing the long-awaited event and expressing his acceptance of the treaty without any change or reservation was made public at the White House, together with some of the details of the President's message. It was by the reading of this message the program was concluded at the Versailles negotiations.

It is expected that the official notification will reach the arrival of Mr. Wilson and his party.

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His Foes Are Many.



Albert Sidney Bursleson, Postmaster General of the United States, now famous as the man whose experiments in Government ownership and operation of public utilities is said to be responsible for the growing sentiment opposing that policy. He is the object of more attacks than any man in the Administration. Union labor, publishers, wire operators and employees and members of his own party are fighting his retention in the cabinet.

AIRPLANE TRIP IS POSTPONED

TRANS-STATE FLIGHT FROM PORTLAND IS HELD UP

La Grande Will Not See Plane Tuesday, and Baker May Not Have Machine for Fourth

Disappointment is again La Grande's lot. The airship will not be here on Tuesday. It has not recovered sufficiently from the crash it took at Dallas a few days ago and it seems to be just a question whether the owners will be able to get it repaired in time to keep their engagement at Baker the afternoon of the Fourth of July. La Grande are becoming somewhat accustomed to disappointments in matter of this kind. The last one of importance was when the whippet tank, touring the state in the interests of the Victory Loan campaign, broke down at Baker and then jumped to Pendleton, spending the day on which they were to have been in La Grande on making repairs to their "war baby." It may be, however, that this time La Grande will not be alone in her disappointment.

An effort will be made by the Oregon Aircraft Transportation Company to get another machine to fill the Baker engagement on the Fourth, but the War Stamp campaign, in the interests of which the plane was to bring Fred Lockley, of the Portland Journal, to this city, has been indefinitely postponed. It also seems that the proposal to get a plane here for an exhibition flight the afternoon of the Fourth has been knocked in the head, unless it happens that Baker's plane arrives and La Grande can arrange to get an hour or two late in the afternoon from it. The owners of the plane are making no guarantee as to their appearance at Baker on the Fourth, excepting that they will do their best to get there.

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Secretary Polk Announces Decided Changes in the Final Draft of Papers

(By Associated Press to The Observer) WASHINGTON, June 28.—Acting Secretary Polk informed the Senate Foreign Relations committee today that the final draft of the league of nations covenant showed some changes in wording, from the version printed in this country.

TEXAS RATIFIES SUFFRAGE

(By Associated Press to The Observer) AUSTIN, Texas, June 28.—The legislature of Texas today completed the ratification of the amendment to the federal constitution giving suffrage to women.

BOLSHEVIK ARMY PUSHES AHEAD

SIBERIAN WESTERN ARMY RETIRES HUNDRED MILES.

Ufa Is Under Bombardment By Bolshevik Guns—The Northern Army Goes Forward.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

OMSK, June 28.—The Siberian western army has retired from Viatka river to Kama river, a distance of about a hundred miles, before superior Bolshevik forces. The northern army, under General Gaidis, has pushed forward slightly and occupied Clazov, holding the line to the northward, but being unable to hold the left bank toward Sarapul. Ufa is under bombardment from Bolshevik guns.

RESERVOIR HAS A GOOD SUPPLY

PLENTY OF GOOD WATER AT BEAVER CREEK.

Trouble Is That Pipes of Water System Seem Too Small to Bring Enough Water Down.

City Manager Collier wishes to assure the citizens of La Grande, through the Observer, that there is a good supply of good water in storage in the big reservoir on Beaver creek, east of the city, and that the dam at the intake cause uneasiness among the householders. The pressure went down, he says, because the water got away and lowered the supply in the small reservoir above the town.

The reason for the shortage in the reservoir is that the pipes are too small to bring enough water down.

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PROHIBAN TO REMAIN FOR TIME

PRESIDENT WILSON DECIDES HE CAN NOT LEGALLY TAKE ACTION AT THIS TIME.

WILL EXERCISE HIS POWER AFTER DEMOBILIZATION

Conference With His Legal Advisors Has Convinced President That He Has No Power to Postpone Abolishment of the Liquor Traffic Now—Cable Received at Washington.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, June 28.—President Wilson has decided that he can not legally lift the war time prohibition ban before the country goes dry after midnight Monday, but he expects to do so as soon thereafter as his power has been made clear by the completion of demobilization.

In a cablegram, made public tonight at the White House, the President said he was convinced after consultation with his legal advisors that he had no authority to act at this time.

"When demobilization is terminated," he continued, "my power to act without congressional action will be exercised."

The message expressed no opinion as to the authority of the President when he makes his action applicable only to beer and wine.

Government Troops Are In Complete Control at Hamburg, Is the Report

(By Associated Press to The Observer) BERLIN, June 28.—It is officially announced today that the government troops are in complete control at Hamburg. No fighting has been reported in the city and it is claimed sufficient troops are arriving to restore conditions to normal.

Seven Non-Partisan Laws Have Been Endorsed by North Dakota Voters

(By Associated Press to The Observer) GRAND FORKS, N. D., June 28.—Seven Non-Partisan League laws voted by the voters by a majority of five to ten thousand, according to present election returns, with 400 precincts of the 1918 in the state year to be heard from.

CANADA BEATS U. S. AT BALL

(By Associated Press to The Observer) PERRIERING STADIUM, France, June 28.—Canada defeated America at baseball today by a score of 2 to 1.

Safe Blowers Get In Their Work on Silverton Firm; Second Safe Not Touched

(By Associated Press to The Observer) SALEM, June 28.—The safe in the store of Spring & Bank's grocery store at Silverton was robbed Wednesday night, according to reports received here today of about \$300. The robbers made preparation to blow the safe in the Julius Alm clothing store next door, but apparently were frightened off. The Alm safe contained \$10,000 in bonds.

THE WEATHER

PORTLAND, June 28.—For the Eastern Oregon country the prediction is for fair weather, with gentle westerly winds.

8-CENT BERRIES BRING 3 CENTS

SALEM FRUITGROWERS' UNION CANNOT CANCEL CONTRACT.

Courts Hold They Must Make Good On Agreement Signed For Period of Five Years.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

SALEM, June 28.—Judge Bingham and Judge Kelly, in the circuit courts, have upheld the contract between the Pheas Company and the Loganberry growers of the Salem Fruitgrowers' Union, requiring the growers of the latter organization to furnish berries to the company at contract price of three cents per pound. The open market price is now eight cents a pound on berries, and the contract between the Pheas company and the growers' union runs for five years.

HOLIDAY PLANS COMING NICELY

EVERYTHING LOOKS FINE FOR BIG DAY ON FOURTH.

Athletic Committee Makes Arrangements to Report Progress of Big Prize Fight in Toledo.

Plans for La Grande's big Fourth of July celebration are all well coordinated as the day approaches and committees in charge are confident that all phases of the program will successfully combine to make the celebration the greatest and most eventful La Grande has ever held. The parade and the Billy Sunday address will fill the morning program to a nicety, the afternoon will be well taken.

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Leader of the Senate



You probably know something of this notable man. He is U. S. Senator Lodge, from Massachusetts, and a predominant figure in our politics. Theodore Roosevelt said of him in 1916: "He has been on the whole the member with the largest vision and the most intelligent devotion to American needs that we have had on the Foreign Affairs Committee during this generation." He will play an important part in the senate discussion of the peace treaty, particularly as chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee.

TELEPHONE STRIKE IS DUE TODAY

NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE PACIFIC COMPANY AND OPERATORS ENDED.

OREGON AND WASHINGTON WORKERS TO BE CALLED OUT

Manager of Local Company States That He Does Not Expect Action to Have Any Effect Locally, But That Only Employees of Pacific Company in These States Will Quit.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—L. C. Grasser, vice-president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, announced tonight that all further negotiations between the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company and its striking operators in California and Nevada were definitely ended and that all telephone workers in Oregon and Washington will be ordered out tomorrow morning.

While the report from San Francisco makes the general statement that "all telephone workers in Oregon and Washington" will be called out today, it is the opinion of S. D. Crowe, manager of the Home Independent Telephone Company, of this city, that the strike order will not extend beyond the employees of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company in these two states, and that the employees of his company will not therefore be affected. Mr. Crowe made a statement to this effect to the Observer last night.

CHILD OF LOCAL LADY IS KILLED

FRANCES FULKERSON, AGED THREE, VICTIM OF AUTO

Remains Arrive From Portland This Morning—Funeral at 2 O'clock This Afternoon

Frances Fulkerson, the little three-year-old daughter of Mrs. J. E. Fulkerson, of La Grande, met instant death Friday in an automobile accident near Oakland, Ore. The sad news was received this morning by Prof. A. C. Hampton, city superintendent of schools, in a telegram from the bereaved mother. Mr. Hampton has made arrangements for the funeral and the service will be held at the Bohnenkamp chapel at 2 o'clock this afternoon, with internment afterward in the Masonic cemetery.

The tragic death of the little girl comes as a particularly severe blow to Mrs. Fulkerson, just about a year after the death of her husband, who was at the time of his death teacher of mathematics in the La Grande high school and who had been elected to fill the position of principal when the new term opened here last year as a member of the faculty. Mrs. Fulkerson is the wife of the late J. E. Fulkerson, of the staff of Central school, at the close of the term she resigned her position.

Mrs. Fulkerson, with her children, had been at Oakland, enjoying a visit with a sister, and they had just ended the visit and were about to leave for New York state to make their home for a time with Mrs. Fulkerson's brother. Details of the accident have not yet been received.

The funeral service this afternoon will be conducted by Rev. James Aikin Smith, pastor of the Presbyterian church.

WALLOWA MAN WILL REFEREE

DR. MAHER TO OFFICIATE AT BOXING MATCHES HERE

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Heirs Apparent



DEATH CLAIMS GEORGE E. GOOD

ONE OF OREGON'S BEST KNOWN MEN DIES FRIDAY

Was For Years Prominent Hotel Man in La Grande and Other Cities

George E. Good, known in Oregon as one of the best of hotel men, died in social circles as due of the early good method follows who would do his best for a friend known in political circles as one of the sturdy Oregon Republicans, known by all as a good citizen, a kind father and a loving husband.

He died at his home in Walla Walla, Washington, where he had lived for the past year. His illness had been one of long duration, but never was considered of great extent until before the end of May. He has not been able to attend to the management of Hotel Edwards, which he has been conducting since 1917.

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The Municipal boxing show to be held at the fair grounds the night of the Fourth is attracting attention all over Eastern Oregon, and from present indications a large crowd will be present when the game rings.

In view of their past record the commission have given returned the arena fighters (fighters) all in the selection of Martin in the lightweight and Coombs in the heavyweight class, they are confident they have two good men in both of the boys' new and enviable reputation of fighters from their records of the A. B. Coombs, of Finance City, won the heavyweight championship.

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BAKERS LUMBER COMPANY BAKES BIG FIRE LOSS

SALEM, June 28.—A big fire here Saturday afternoon destroyed 1200 cords of slab wood in the yard of the Oregon Lumber Company, along with several thousand summer cactuses and two locomotives, the property of the Gopher Valley Railway company.

Three train lumber, loaded and ready for shipment, were hauled away from the fire, one of the cars catching fire as it passed through the flames. The buildings belonging to the company were not damaged.