

FORD PEACE PARTY CHANGED EUROPEAN VIEW OF YANKEES

The Leader-Herald is able to give its readers an exclusive account of the Ford peace party—direct from one of its members. Learning that Rev. Monroe Smock, who was the only member of the party from Idaho, arrived home Saturday, the Leader-Herald called him up by long distance telephone this morning at his home in New Plymouth and he very kindly consented to give the story.

The party gathered at New York early in December and on the 8th of that month sailed on the Frederick the 8th. Nothing unusual occurred till the ship reached Kirkwall, on one of the Orkney Islands, where the ship was held up for twenty-four hours while the English officials examined all the passports. At that place two German doctors were taken off the ship and will be held in England as prisoners of war until peace is declared.

Go Home to Fight.

The next port reached was Christian Sand, an important seaport city of Norway, where an amusing incident occurred. It was the first point in neutral territory and the boat had no sooner docked than a couple of German stowaways, who were returning on the peace ship to fight for the fatherland, crawled out from their hiding place where they had lived in cramped quarters for fourteen days on bread, crackers and water.

From Christian Sand the party went to Christiana, spending four days in that city where big meetings were held and much interest aroused.

One Member Dies.

It was there that Loyd Bingham, one of the influential members of the party, died. He was the husband of Amelia Bingham, the celebrated actress. The body was placed in a metallic coffin and sent back to America.

It was here also that Henry Ford left and returned to America. Mr. Smock states that the stories circulated in America to the effect that Mr. Ford left the party because of dissensions and bickerings among the members had no foundation in fact. Mr. Ford's relations with the people who accompanied him on the trip were cordial and pleasant. He left the party because his physical condition demanded it. He was a sick man and it would have been dangerous for him to have gone on. Therefore, under advice of his physician, it was determined that he should retire and for a time have perfect rest.

To the members of the party remained the necessity for his departure, they recognized that it was wise and were content to lose their chief, though the friendly relations he had inspired were to be severed for the time being.

Welcome at Stockholm.

From Christiana the party went by rail to Stockholm, the capital of Sweden, where they met the most cordial reception of any place on their whole trip. Prominent citizens vied with each other to make the visitors welcome and great sympathy was expressed for the cause. The mayor of the city, Mr. Lindberg, was made one of the delegates to The Hague. Proceeding by rail the party next went to Malmo, Sweden, and from there crossed to Copenhagen, capital of Denmark. While the people there were friendly as individuals and extended every courtesy, the authorities would not permit any public meetings or speeches. This no doubt was through fear that the nations at war might misconstrue the Danish government's attitude.

By rail and ferry the party next went to Germany, putting foot on Fatherland soil at Warnemunde. Here German officials examined and temporarily took up all passports. To proceed on their way through German territory the party was permitted to have a special train, the first to pass over any German railroad since the war broke out. This was a courtesy which was much appreciated.

Allowed to Speak.

Mr. Smock stated that the stories current in the United States that travelers in Germany are under constant surveillance and permitted to have no conversation with fellow travelers, is a pure canard. The windows of the coaches were open, the doors unlocked and the passengers passed from one car to another without any restrictions whatever. The train was stopped at the principal cities such as Hamburg, Bremen and Lubek, where the Americans left the train and conversed at will with the people gathered at the stations. At a small frontier town the train stopped for some time where there were two trains loaded with wounded German soldiers who were being

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taken to the hospital.

The last German town visited was Bentzen, where all passports were returned. The German lieutenant in charge of the train bade the party a heartfelt Godspeed as the party left him and crossed into Holland and proceeded to The Hague. The first step there was to form a permanent organization composed of three members from Norway, three from Sweden three from Denmark, three from Holland and five from the United States. The members elected from the United States are W. J. Bryan, Henry Ford, Jane Addams, Dr. Chas. Faked and Mr. Joseph Fels.

Disband at Hague.

At The Hague the party disbanded, leaving those delegates who were present to carry on the work till the close of the war. Forty-three of the Americans returned to New York on the ship Noordahl and the remainder on the Rotterdam, arriving there Saturday, February 5.

Mr. Smock feels that the trip was by no means in vain. Much interest was shown everywhere. The doings of the party were minutely chronicled on the front pages of all the big European dailies to the exclusion of important war news, and much discussion of peace aroused. All the neutral nations, except Switzerland and Spain, which the party did not visit, are taking a deep interest in the movement.

Accomplishes Good.

The greatest and best work of the party was to convince the great European nations that America is not dominated by the dollar as has been so generally believed there. They know now that because a few munitions plants are making big money, that America is not in favor of war and bloodshed and would welcome the day that would see peace and prosperity again in the warring nations.

SOME SNOW FELL IN HARNEY COUNTY

Between eight and twelve inches of snow has fallen during this week making much more moisture for the coming crops. No accurate measurement of the precipitation has been kept at this point since last fall therefore one must make his own measurements of what snow has fallen but there has been a much greater fall than for several years.—Burns Times-Herald.

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Boet John Masefield attributes banditry and free verse to the same spirit of lawlessness. But only banditry is punishable by penal servitude.

STATE IRRIGATION AND RURAL CREDITS CONFERENCE CALL

The State Irrigation, Drainage and Rural Credits conference authorized by the Oregon Irrigation Congress will be held at the Statehouse in Salem, March 9. Call for the conference has been issued by the special committee which was given the responsibility and more than half the delegates from representative state organizations have been appointed. The conference delegates are asked to formulate a plan for state guaranty of irrigation and drainage securities and a system of State Rural Credits.

It is proposed to draft a constitutional amendment for submission to the people at the next general election. The conference will probably decide whether to submit enabling legislation at the general election or, later, to the legislature.

Already there is sweeping the state conviction that no more important gathering has ever been planned in Oregon. It will have the bigness and serious responsibility of a constitutional convention. The best brains and experience from all walks of life and all occupations will be represented and will be called upon to produce the plan, which when enacted into law, and administered, will solve the state's great development problems of irrigation and drainage. All authorities—financiers and farmers, railroad men and organized labor—have made statements recognizing the necessity of action and supporting the fundamental character of the procedure outlined. The only doubt has been as to whether prejudices and differences can be laid aside in the common purpose to do now a big thing for Oregon.

Because of the great public interest in, and the significance of, the conference, many will probably journey to the state capital from all parts of the state to witness the proceedings, their concern keener, even, than if it had been a session of the Legislature which they had come to attend.

APPLICATIONS FOR GRAZING PERMITS

Notice is hereby given that all applications for permits to graze cattle, horses, and sheep within the Malheur National Forest during the season of 1916, must be filed in my office at John Day, Oregon, on or before February 29, 1916. Full information in regard to the grazing fees to be charged and blank forms to be used in making applications will be furnished upon request.

Cy J. Bingham, Supervisor. 5-9

Britannia does not intend the world to doubt, that she still rules the wave.

OBITUARY.

Houston M. Craig was born in Alabama, August 4, 1843, and fell asleep in Christ Feb. 1, 1916, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Bruce Winegar.

He was united in marriage to Martha Wilcox Oct. 1, 1867, removed to Arkansas in the fall of 1878, thence to Grant Co., Ore., near Prairie City, in 1883 and from there to Ontario, Ore., in 1903.

The deceased was a veteran of the Civil war, being wounded in the battle of Murfreesboro and Chickamauga.

He leaves one son and three daughters to mourn his loss, namely, Mr. Thomas Craig, Mrs. Bettie Blackman, Mrs. Frank Hardman and Mrs. Bruce Winegar. Also a number of grandchildren, one great-grand-child, and many friends, the wife having passed away two years previously. Bro. Craig united with the Christian Church in early life and for nearly half a century has earnestly sought to walk in the Master's footsteps, daily searching the scriptures that he might know his Lord's will concerning him, being willing to suffer reproach that he might hear the Saviour's "Well Done Enter Thou into the Joys of Thy Lord." Through his love and zeal for truth and right he fought a good fight, finishing his course with joy.

In feeble health for several months he was only waiting the Father's call and we rejoice that the Father has seen best to say, "It is enough, Come Home."

The funeral was held at the Adventist church Thursday evening, Feb. 3, under the auspices of the International Bible Students with whom he had studied for more than a year. Services were conducted by Dr. H. C. Spencer of Caldwell, Idaho.

NORTH WESTERN INVENTORS.

The following patents were just issued to North Western clients reported by D. Swift & Co., Patent Lawyers, Washington, D. C., who will furnish copies of any patent for ten cents apiece to our readers.

Idaho, Chas. H. Shattuck, Moscow, treating woods; Ernest H. Wagner, Lewiston, valve construction.

Washington, Thos. N. Wilson, Spokane, power transmitting means; Frank McCormick, Monroe, stump extractor.

Oregon, Frank W. Cutler, Hood River Co., fruit assorting machine; A. H. Bastain, Hillsdale, locking means for clamping wrenches.

NOTICE.

Dr. W. G. Howe has moved his dental office to the Wilson building. 15 tf

See us first for anything you need. We might have it. McDowell's S. H. S. 6-tf.

WANTED.—On shares, lease or rent, a hay ranch. Have tools and stock. C. Plant, R. F. D. 2, Weiser Idaho. 6-8

SUCCOR CREEK IRRIGATION DIST.

The board of directors of the Succor Creek Irrigation District met with engineer, Guy C. McGee and about 25 or 30 landowners in the district in this city Monday. The report of the engineer was adopted. The board of directors, composed of Messrs. Frank Price, W. D. Martin and A. W. Criffield, was authorized to meet with Messrs. J. W. Graff, Geo. Everett and others Saturday next for the purpose devising ways and means of meeting the necessary engineering and preliminary expenses. The amount required in order to start work is \$4,000.00.

At the meeting it was unanimously decided not to water any land under the A canal of the Gem Irrigation District.

The land owners of this irrigation district are well pleased with the progress that has been made. The project will be financed without difficulty. The normal flow of water is sufficient for 12,000 acres of land. The project includes 10,000 acres which insures ample water under any climatic conditions.—Caldwell Tribune.

PROMINENT RAILWAY OFFICIAL IS DEAD

C. Ira Tuttle, assistant general freight agent of the Oregon Coast Line, died at his home in Salt Lake City on the 10th, after a brief illness from a gripple. Advice of his death was received here by railroad officials who knew him.

Mr. Tuttle was well known throughout the Northwest, inasmuch as he had direct charge of all the livestock and wool shipments over the Short Line. He frequently visited Ontario. He was about 55 years old and had been in the Short Line service more than 25 years.

In the earlier days when cattle were shipped from Ontario, Mr. Tuttle was here most of his time and his host of friends learned of his death with many regrets.

Mr. Lansing we suppose cares not who makes the laws of the country if only he can write his notes.

IGNACE PADEREWSKI



Photo by American Press Association.
Ignace Paderewski, the noted pianist, who is in this country aiding in relief work for his suffering Polish countrymen.

BRITISH REFUSED TO SAVE GERMANS

Berlin, by wireless to Sayville.—Comparisons with the Baralong case, in which British sailors refused quarter to drowning German seamen, according to official German statements, are drawn by German newspapers in discussing the missing Zeppelin L-19. The Overseas News Agency summarizes the case in this wise:

"German naval airship L-19 has not returned from a reconnoitering trip. A British news agency reports that the airship and her crew were seen drifting in the North sea by the English trawler King Stephen, from Grimsby, and that the airship crew, clinging to the parts above the water of the half-submerged craft, asked for rescue, which was refused by the British crew, the British sailors giving as a reason for their refusal that the German crew outnumbered them."

Turkestan Lovers.

In Turkestan every wedding engagement begins with the payment of a substantial consideration to the girl's parents. If a girl jilts her lover the engagement gift has to be returned unless the parents have another daughter to give as a substitute.

Indian Day

February 22

---the official opening day of the 1916 INDIAN riding season

WE expect the biggest, most enthusiastic tribe of Indian admirers—new and old—this year that ever gathered at our wigwam.

For we've got something especially big for 'em this year—not only a fine display of the new big red boys, but the biggest thing ever introduced to the motorcycling world—the 1916 INDIAN

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And what a world-beater sensation it is!—Setting a new standard of motorcycle efficiency ideals!—Doing 70 miles an hour right out of the crate!—Oiltight, clean, quiet! You've just got to see it to be posted on real motorcycle progress.

Join the boys at our store—your club-rooms—on Washington's Birthday. Something doing every minute. Hear the motorcycle men of our town talk machine—discuss Indian leadership—POWERPLUS advantages.

Bring your friends any time of day or evening. Big fun, amusement, instruction, demonstrations. Souvenirs and refreshments.

ALSO AN INTERESTING SHOWING OF THE NEW INDIAN FEATHERWEIGHT MOTORCYCLE AND THE NEW INDIAN BICYCLES—THE YOUNGER BOYS WILL ENJOY THESE!

THE TIME—All day and evening.
THE PLACE—Our store.
THE DAY—Tuesday, February 22.

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