

PROTEST ALONE IS WEARILY WILSON FIGHTS

Plan for "Neutrality League" of Nations Will Be Laid Before Cabinet.

PRECEDENTS ARE FOUND

Rules Laid Down in 1780, as Result of Efforts of Catherine of Russia, and Again in 1800 Show What Has Been Done.

BY JOHN CALLAN O'LAUGHLIN. WASHINGTON, May 23.—(Special.)—President Wilson and his Cabinet are being driven irresistibly to the conclusion that something more than a mere protest is necessary if neutral rights are to be respected.

To date the United States has protested against flagrant violations of principles of international law by both sides in the great conflict raging across the water. It has received pleasant assurances, references to the historical friendship that prevails and unflinching concessions. "Fine words but no parsnips," however.

Unofficial Negotiations Opened. To reduce American loss, unofficial negotiations were entered into by representatives of the United States and Great Britain, the former ostensibly acting in behalf of American shippers, which tended to ameliorate the hardships imposed by the allies on American trade.

It is believed here that the action taken will have a good effect in Berlin and upon German-Americans at home. Now the Administration is awaiting with keen interest the German reply to the Lusitania note.

The net result of the negotiations conducted up to date are these: American trade with Germany is practically cut off.

American trade with neutrals is seriously hampered. The belligerents, Germany as well as Great Britain in any case, insist upon whatever they deem necessary, irrespective of neutral rights and the obligations of international law.

Thus, words have accomplished nothing beyond arousing irritation against the United States.

America Not Only Sufferer. The fact is not lost sight of in diplomatic circles here that the United States is not the only sufferer. Every other neutral is embarrassed and handicapped in precisely the same way.

The President is giving serious attention to the possibility of creating a "neutrality league." No steps in this direction will be taken until the German reply to the Lusitania note is received.

Precedents Found for League. The precedents for such action are found in the Armed Neutrality Leagues of 1780 and 1800. The first league was the natural outcome of British efforts to enforce the ancient rights of belligerents in the face of the attempt of the Northern powers to establish the freedom of neutral commerce.

These articles embodied four principles, as follows: First—Freedom of the coasting trade of states at war.

Second—Neutral flag covers all goods not contraband.

Third—Contraband is limited to essentially warlike stores.

Fourth—A blockade to be effective must be one dangerous to pass.

Before the year expired, Prussia, Russia, Austria and the United States adhered to them and in 1782 Portugal and in 1783 the two Sicilies did so.

Renewal of Measures Urged. These leagues were of the highest importance, since as a result of their efforts to establish the rule of free ships, free goods, without the corollary of enemy ships, enemy goods, the way was paved for the adoption of those principles in succeeding years.

Mr. Lambert is born in Yorkshire, England, but is an American citizen.

ONE OF FEATURE PERFORMERS WHO APPEARS WITH CIRCUS HERE TODAY.



Rosa Rosaland, said to be the only woman who somersaults while riding a horse. Upper—Close-range view of Miss Rosaland.

SMALL BOYS JOYOUS

Circus Day, Long Awaited, Is Here at Last.

BIG TENT GOES UP TODAY

Parade and Performances Scheduled to Gladden Hearts of Young and Old and Show Has Special Attractions.

ROUTE OF TODAY'S CIRCUS PARADE.

The following will be the line of march for the circus parade at 12 o'clock today.

Alleged Forger Taken at Morton.

MORTON, Wash., May 23.—(Special.)—Deputy Sheriff John Berry returned to Chehalis from Morton yesterday, having arrested H. C. Kinney on a charge of first degree forgery.

HOQUIAM BOND ELECTION TOMORROW.

HOQUIAM, Wash., May 23.—(Special.)—This city Tuesday will vote on a bond issue of \$157,000 to take up the current expense warrants.

SMOKER PROVIDED FOR BY TURK BEFORE WAR

Prices of Cigarettes Remain Unchanged and Even English Boycott on Enemy Goods Is Lost in Odoriferous, Comforting Wreaths.

HAND this much to the wily Turk: Whatever other qualities he may have, that of leaving a great friendly nation in the lurch is not one of them.

Of course Europe is a long way off, but don't rest deluded in the belief that the Turkish tobacco, which has become so popular, is the cigarette of the future.

Effect on Price Doubtful. Now arises the question: Will the price of Turkish tobacco and Turkish cigarettes so sky after the present store is exhausted?

So, after all, the Turk cannot be said to have the Turkish tobacco market by the heels. If he can't let us have his particular brand of it, there will be plenty of others also called Turkish.

Another measure which was the subject of much interest at the time it was under consideration by the Legislature was that providing women school teachers' salaries equal with those of the men teachers.

Birth Record Is Required. A new registration law requires that it shall be the duty of the attending physician or midwife to file a certificate of birth, properly and completely filled out, giving all particulars, with the local registrar of the district in which the birth occurred, within 19 days after date of birth.

Buffalo Bill Here in Flesh. At the head of the aggregation of performers is William F. Cody, the original Buffalo Bill. He personally has charge of the staging of many sensational feats of the show, and particularly the Wild West features.

There is a most interesting collection of performers with the show, and the prospects are that they will make things lively within the confines of the big tent during the four performances.

High-Class Instruments for High-Class Homes and a Sale of Really Worth-While Pianos

Duplicates of the superb pianos, player pianos and grands, comprising the exhibit of ultra-modern musical instruments in Liberal Arts Palace, P. P. L. E., by Eilers Music House are now on sale in Portland.

CHICKERING PLAYER PIANOS—Artigraphic, self-expressing, self-playing; truly wonderful; rendering music of a character that is a delight to the most exacting music critic.

THE AUTOPIANO—Player Piano, electric, playable four ways, by hand, by foot power and by electric motor, with or without the automatic expression. This is the latest and supreme autopian attachment.

New 1915 models of the now famous Bungalow Player Pianos (with free music rolls included) now here.

19 in a Sale Extraordinary. A sale of 19 instruments for a manufacturer whose exhibit was completed too late to be included in our great exhibit at the San Francisco Exposition.

These 19 instruments were diverted to and have arrived in Portland. They are placed on sale at manufacturer's wholesale price at Eilers Music House, third floor. Superb pianos. The designs will probably never again be duplicated.

The \$550 styles are marked \$285; less elaborate cases are \$265 and \$240. Several exceptionally ornate cost a little more. All may be had on payments of \$10 a month.

Special two-for-one premium—a credit of \$2 is given for every \$1 paid in excess of an initial \$100 on each of these 19 pianos.

USED PIANOS AT LESS THAN EVER. In the Piano Exchange Department choice of many worthy makes. All reduced at prices positively less than obtainable elsewhere, no matter what the occasion or the pretext.

No matter whether a somewhat old style, but good upright piano is wanted (which can now be had for \$35, others for \$55 or \$70), or whether the finest piano made is desired for the finest mansion, Eilers Music House is the place and Eilers prices are invariably lower than same quality is obtainable for elsewhere.

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ACTS BECOME LAWS

Amendment to Compensation Measure Among Changes.

BIRTH RECORD IS REQUIRED

"Railroad Commission" Passes Out of Existence and New Method of Levying School Tax Altered.

BUFFALO BILL HEARS TALE

Veteran Tells "Same Old Story" to Colonel Cody, Who Is in City.

Well if it ain't my old friend Colonel Cody, chucked a gray-haired old veteran in the lobby of the Oregon Hotel yesterday afternoon, as he rushed up and grasped the hand of Colonel W. F. Cody, the original old Buffalo Bill, who is in Portland for a couple of days with the Sells-Floto-Buffalo Bill circus.

He went on at great length about his old days, and how he had been in the front line and was all ready to start his bloody attack when they were disarmed.

Old fellows come in by the dozens and tell me stories like that.

Colonel Cody is a picturesque character, with his crested hat and his silvery hair done in a knot on the back of his head.

He is a decidedly interesting story of the experiences which resulted in the name "Buffalo Bill" being placed in "Who's Who," as the king of frontiersmen and the king of cowboys.

Fifteen Are Graduated. TWIN FALLS, Idaho, May 23.—(Special.)—Fifteen students were graduated this week from the Fliter High School.

INHERITED NERVOUSNESS. The causes of nervous disorders are of two kinds, predisposing and exciting. Heredity is a predisposing cause.

My sense of taste is mine, and nothing on earth is too good for it—no, not even that remarkable Van Dyck Cigar!

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Dr. J. F. Shepherd. A splendid class play, "The Freshman," was given by the graduating class. Twelve students graduated from the Buhl school.

BERRY HARVEST NEAR END. Shipments From Kennewick Put at 60,000 Crates Worth \$100,000.

KENNEWICK, Wash., May 23.—(Special.)—This week will see the finish of the heavy shipment of strawberries from Kennewick.

Precedent. (New York American.) She—But what good would one little kiss do you? He—Oh, it would establish a precedent.

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