

WASHINGTON HODS DOOR IS NOT CLOSED

Early Peace Improbable, but Way Is Sought to Obtain Comparison of Terms.

BERLIN THOUGHT WILLING

Allies' Proposal Might Even Be Discussed, Although Not Accepted. Germans Think Modification Might Be Result.

ALLIES' REFERENCE TO "RESTITUTION OF TERRITORY" EXPLAINED.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The Daily Graphic, referring to the restitution of territory, as mentioned in the entente reply, says that this means:

- Restoration of Alsace-Lorraine to France and of Trentino and Trieste to Italy.
Constitution of the Slavonic provinces of Austria into a separate state.
Transference of Transylvania from Hungary to Roumania.
Restoration of the ancient kingdom of Bohemia.
Creation of a united Poland under a Russian protectorate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The attitude of President Wilson toward the replies of the warring nations on his suggestion that an opportunity be given for comparing peace terms remained undetermined tonight.

Preliminary discussion of the question was begun at today's Cabinet meeting and at conferences between the President and Secretary Lansing, and between the President and Colonel E. M. House, who spent the day at the White House.

Informally, officials expressed the opinion that the problem facing the President is how to reconcile the conflicting attitude of the central powers and the entente allies on the question of comparing terms. The central powers have offered to discuss peace at a conference of representatives of the belligerents. The entente powers, though virtually declining to agree to a conference, having given their broad terms publicly, it was suggested the President might use new method of having terms compared.

German Statement Expected.

In his original note he said he was indifferent as to the means employed to secure the desired end, and it was thought he now would avoid putting himself in the position of advocating a particular method. In one administration question an early reply from one of more European neutrals might urge Germany and her allies to make public their peace terms, and others thought it might be a voluntary statement might be forthcoming from Berlin after the text of the entente reply had been made known to the foreign office by its information by Ambassador Gerard.

So far, it is understood, the note has not been translated into American diplomats in the Teutonic countries, although it is generally assumed this will be the first step actually taken by the United States. An early reply, broke its silence on the subject today, only to say definitely that no action had yet been taken.

Early Peace Will Be Improbable.

It is generally agreed everywhere that the nature of the terms of the entente, with the intimations from German sources that such terms cannot be accepted, makes an early peace unlikely. The preliminary view of the Administration, however, still is that the door to discussion was not entirely closed.

In the German view here it rests entirely with the President whether there will be further negotiations at this time. It is regarded as certain that the German allies will consider any proposition Mr. Wilson may make and that they probably would be willing even to discuss in a conference with their enemies the conditions stated in the entente reply.

At the same time it is reiterated that Germany and her allies never, upon any consideration, would accept such terms, and should they agree to enter a conference to discuss terms it would be with the idea that the entente might recede from its position. In this connection the Germans express the belief that the entente set forth in its note the objects it desires to achieve rather than the only terms upon which it would make peace and that a general communication was written for publication broadcast, it probably could not be expected that objects or terms less moderate than those given could have been stated.

First Milestone Reached. The view was generally expressed at the White House that the first milestone in the negotiations was reached by Mr. Wilson had been reached, and that there would have to be a general assessment of the entire situation before any further move could be made.

Already officials are trying to work out the possible points of agreement between the opposing alliances based upon the entente note and the German Chancellor's speeches. Both, it is pointed out, agree to the evacuation of France and Belgium. The only question left open on the west front, therefore, are the allied demands for indemnities and the intimations that Alsace-Lorraine must be returned to

Weak Lungs and Chest Troubles respond more quickly to the blood-enriching oil-food in SCOTT'S EMULSION

Advertisement for Scott's Emulsion featuring an image of a man carrying a large fish on his back. Text describes the benefits of the cod liver oil for various ailments.

France, and some kind of security for maritime frontiers.

On the east front the provinces of Lithuania and Poland are in dispute. Lithuania, formerly Russian but conquered by Germany, has a promise of autonomy. Both Germany and Russia have promised Polish independence, though Germany contemplates making a separate kingdom of Russian Poland only, while Russia's plans contemplate Russian Poland added to German and Austrian-Poland.

Balkans Cause of Bitterness.

It is in the reconstruction of the Balkans that the bitterness apparently is most bitterly at odds. Italy, besides demanding all the territory that Austria won there, has not without a war, wants also the city of Trieste, Austria's main seaport, and a large part of the Dalmatian coast. The desire of Germany and Austria to punish Serbia offers a most complicated difficulty, as the allies have demanded that country's restoration with indemnity.

Bulgaria demands part of Serbia, Macedonia and Roumania as her recompense for the war, and has stated through her Premier that she is considering conquering those sections, now in Turkish hands. The whole question of return to various nationalities to their own countries presents a complex and confusing problem.

Turkey then remains. The allies have demanded her withdrawal from Europe without saying who shall fill the vacancy at Constantinople. Ex-Premier Trepoff has announced the restoration of the city with the straits to Russia, but the question is left open in the allied note. The Turkish capital and the province of Constantinople are still another tremendous difficulty to be overcome.

RUNAWAYS TO RETURN

GLADYS DAVIS AND SWEETHEART WAIVE EXTRADITION.

Couple Caught at Los Angeles to Be Returned by Sheriff Hurlburt and Try to Be Married Here.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Gladys Opal Davis, 14 years old, of Portland, Or., who eloped from Portland to Los Angeles with her sweetheart, Chiamenti several days ago, will be taken back to Portland with Chiamenti tomorrow in the custody of Sheriff Hurlburt and his deputy, Sheriff Hurlburt served a warrant on Chiamenti charging him with contributing to the delinquency of a minor. The girl was arrested as a runaway. The youth contended that he had intended to marry the girl in California and was not prepared to do so, but was afraid an investigation would result because of the girl's age. The Davis girl weepingly declared she loved Chiamenti and that she would stick by him through his trial in Portland and that she would marry him whenever he is freed. The couple were arrested the day after the girl lost her opal engagement ring. This loss, she said, brought the bad luck resulting in the arrest. She decided not to fight today to return to her home, the couple said today they would attempt to effect a reconciliation with the parents of the young woman so that they may be married.

PROMOTIONS PAID FOR

CIVIL SERVICE RULES EVADED BY CHICAGO POLICE.

Healey to Be Reinstated as Captain and Leave of Absence of 29 Days Will Be Given Him.

CHICAGO, Jan. 12.—Promotions in the police department, according to Michael Healey's attorney, tonight, in many recent instances, have been made in evasion of the civil service rulings. Mr. Healey had announced in connection with his investigation of the alleged police graft ring, that many promotions were paid for. He charged that the civil service eligible list practically had been ignored. In the first special order issued since he became chief of police yesterday, Healey suspended indefinitely William H. Luthardt, formerly secretary to Charles C. Healey, former chief. Luthardt was named with Chief Healey in the indictments charging conspiracy returned by the October grand jury. Healey is to be reinstated as a captain and leave of absence of 29 days. It was decided today, His leave of absence is in accordance with the practice of granting leave of absence during the pendency of charges against police officials.

LUMBERMEN WILL ELECT

Annual Meeting of West Coast Association to Be in Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association will be held at Tacoma, January 28. At this meeting will be held the annual election of 11 trustees, who will select officers of the association for the year. A president, two vice-presidents, a secretary and a treasurer are to be chosen by the new board. The men that have been nominated for trustees are: E. C. Knight, Vancouver; C. P. Jackson, Clear Lake, Wash.; W. B. Nettleton, Seattle; J. G. Dickson, Tacoma; A. L. Paine, Hood River; H. Burnside, Raymond; F. R. Hubbard, Centralia; E. D. Kingsley, Portland; E. B. Hazen, Portland; L. R. Shaw, Mill City, Or.; and A. R. Shaw, Astoria. J. H. Bloedel, of Seattle, who has presided over the affairs of the association the past two years, has resigned in protest of the pressure of private interests.

ELKS ASSIST IN FUNERAL

Members of The Dalles Lodge Go to Hood River for Obsequies.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Twenty-five members of The Dalles lodge of Elks, of which J. J. Morrison had been a member, were here yesterday afternoon, and with local members of the fraternal organization formed a funeral escort. The services were conducted by Rev. J. L. Hershner, a pioneer Congregational minister. Mr. Morrison, who came here in 1901, was 66 years old. He was a native of Iowa. His early life was spent on the plains, and he was a veteran of Indian wars. For 25 years before coming to Hood River Mr. Morrison had been a line foreman of the Western Union Telegraph Company. Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Blinding or Protruding Piles. First application gives relief. See Read The Oregonian classified ads.

STRIKERS WAGE SCALE TODAY

Northwest Steel Company to Submit Its Offer as Agreed On in Conference.

CLOSED SHOP STILL ISSUE

J. R. Bowles Says Satisfactory Progress Is Made in Negotiations. Some Jobs Here Pay Better Than Elsewhere.

After a conference between the committee of strikers and officials of the Northwest Steel Company, which lasted several hours last night, an agreement was reached whereby J. R. Bowles, president of the company, will formulate a complete scale of wages and submit it to the strikers today for their approval or rejection.

In addition to the question of wages, the company will present plans for improving working conditions and for providing certain accommodations sought by the workmen. It was declared that the question of open or closed shop did not enter into the discussions last night, or at a conference held earlier today. "Most satisfactory progress is being made," said Mr. Bowles, after last night's session. "We came to terms on certain questions of wages and requirements of working conditions. The committee left papers with us, and these will be drawn up and presented to the committee today."

Some Jobs Pay More Here.

In comparing the scale of wages now in effect at the Northwestern Steel Company with that at the Iron Works at San Francisco, it was learned that the Portland plant in several instances is paying higher wages, especially in regard to lower grades of labor. The local plant is paying helpers a minimum of 22 cents an hour, while the Iron Works is paying from 25 to 31 cents. It was found also that shearmen and punchers employed in the boiler-making department, receive 69 cents more a day here than at San Francisco. The scale here is \$2.60 a day, and at the Union Iron Works \$1 a day. Blacksmiths and shipbuilders receive the same pay as at San Francisco. While the conference was being held, several hundred of the striking mechanics had gathered at Arnie Hall to await the outcome of negotiations. The committee made a report of its deliberations to the company officials about 9:30 o'clock. While settlement of the strike seems to be growing nearer, there is a feeling here that if the plants at Seattle and San Francisco can operate profitably and harmoniously under closed-shop conditions, the Portland strike may not go too far. Earlier in the day representatives of the Metal Trades Council met with the committee of the Northwest Steel Company. At this conference counter proposals to the proposition made a few days ago by Mr. Bowles regarding the closed-shop plan, were discussed. The matter immediately was taken up with other officials of the company. Information was received in Portland yesterday that the boycott on materials furnished by the Willamette Iron & Steel Works and the Northwest Steel Company is being lifted by shippers there had been lifted by the Seattle Metal Trades Council. An embargo had been placed on the materials that had been placed by the operators of the closed shop plants there. The action of the Seattle unions was rescinded when it was learned that the Willamette plant was supplying materials to the closed shop plants at Seattle. For these reasons work at the various Pacific Coast plants has been hampered. As a result a few of the plants are laying off some of their men. Officials of both the Willamette Iron & Steel Works and the Northwest Steel Company say that new men are being added daily and conditions are almost normal regardless of the strike situation.

NAMING OF SQUARES TOPIC

Commissioner Dieck Recommends Deferring Selection of Names.

The City Council will take up the question of giving names to squares in various parts of the city formed by three or more streets coming together. Commissioner Dieck has prepared a report on the petition of property owners to give the name Centralia Square to the square formed by Sixth street, Pine street and Broadway. He recommends that before this name is given the whole subject of names for such squares be considered.

GYMNASIUM CLASSES FORM

Irrington Girls and Boys Meet Thursdays and Saturdays.

Gymnasium classes for the youth of Irrington are being formed at the Irrington Club gymnasium for the Winter and Spring. This morning at 9 and 10 o'clock and on subsequent Saturday mornings at those hours girls' classes will be in session. The girls' work is under the direction of Miss Marjorie Arnold. On Thursday afternoons at 4 o'clock, under Director Kelly, boys will have their classes.

BOTH NOTES CRITICISED

Dutch Newspaper Disapproves Some Clauses in Each.

AMSTERDAM, via London, Jan. 12.—The Dutch newspaper "De Pers" is disapproving in the peace terms of the entente allies, as set forth in their reply to President Wilson. "An incon-

quent mixture of the ideals of right with the ordinary conceptions of conquest, which have nothing to do with right."

The paper refers to the difficulties inseparable from the realization of the principle of nationalities, but approves this ideal and also the demands for the restoration of Belgium, Serbia and other occupied territories. It disapproves of the clause regarding the restoration of territories formerly wrested from the allies. Alluding to Alsace-Lorraine, Schleswig and the proposal to expel the Turks from Europe, it says that one might as well declare that America should be restored to neutrality. It describes the argument about England's encircling policy as stupid and is astonished at the further attempt to justify the invasion of Belgium.

The Handelsblad hopes that Armenia will not be left in the hands of Turkey and strongly criticises the German note to neutralise it. It describes the argument about England's encircling policy as stupid and is astonished at the further attempt to justify the invasion of Belgium.

WAGE INCREASES MANY

GENERAL INCREASES IN TWO MONTHS TOTAL 516.

OF 217 OF NUMBER MORE THAN ONE MILLION EMPLOYEES INVOLVED. NEARLY HALF ARE VOLUNTARY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Wage increases for many American workmen in the last two months of 1916 are shown in tables compiled today by the Bureau of Labor Statistics from newspapers and periodical reports. Exact data cannot be obtained, bureau officials say, but the figures have been tabulated to show the trend. The number of general wage increases given is 516, of which 217 report more than 3,000,000 employees involved. Nearly half of the increases noted were voluntary and the other half were divided about equally between increases by strikes and those reached through agreements between employers and employees. Iron and steel workers fared best in increases, nearly 400,000 benefiting in wage raises. Textile workers were next in point of numbers and garment workers third.

LAST RIVET TO BE SET

No Ceremony Will Mark This Event at Columbia Interstate Span.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The last rivet of several hundred thousand in the Columbia River Interstate Bridge will be riveted tomorrow, probably at 10 o'clock, and the floor of the bridge on the draw span. No ceremony is to mark the event. All but three spans have been given the top coating of pavement. The last span floated into place December 23, and the first span on this side of the river and the 60-foot girder span are yet to be paved with bituminous. The draw will be lowered tomorrow or next day, if the weather is good, and the first truss span and the girder will be given the top coating of hard-surface pavement. The last span to be floated has been paved with the concrete base and in a week will be ready for the top surface.

HOPMEN SEEKING CONTROL

California Growers Organize With Capital of \$200,000.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 12.—The California Associated Hopgrowers, an organization with \$200,000 capital stock, will be launched here Monday at a meeting of growers chiefly from Sonoma, Mendocino and Sacramento counties, according to A. A. Merkley, who has been elected president of the organization. The growers hope to control the entire output of the state, except 25 per cent, to be sold to growers by the grower-dealers. Between 50,000 and 60,000 bales now are represented by the growers, and will form the organization. The growers hope to increase as soon as the project is started.

COLD WAVE MOVING FAST

GUARDSMEN FACE ARREST

Warrants for Missing Drill Are Out at Baltimore. Chicago and Other Cities Face Danger of Coal Famine—Prediction Made That Snowfall Will Continue for 36 Hours.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 12.—Warrants have been drawn for 110 members of the Fourth Maryland Regiment for non-attendance at drills. But Monday the judge will issue warrants for the missing members. The government promised them that attending drills has not been forthcoming.

Weather Will Now Be Colder.

A storm in the Southwest was responsible for snow and moderating temperature in the Middle West, but it is going way to the northern blasts. Assistant Forecaster Mitchell says it will probably be exceedingly cold by tomorrow night, and that below-zero weather will continue several days. In Chicago and many cities in this district, the thermometer registered 70 degrees below zero Wednesday night. According to the usual law of averages this would mean 50 degrees or perhaps 35 degrees below in Western Canada and 20 to 30 below in the Northwestern and Middle Western states.

Centralia Libel Case Dropped.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The charge of criminal libel preferred against Miss Vera Seydels, a reporter on a Centralia paper, by C. A. Studebaker, former prosecuting attorney, was dismissed yesterday. Miss Seydels was tried Saturday by a jury in a Chehalis Justice Court, the jury reporting a disagreement.

Degree of Honor Meets.

CASTLE ROCK, Wash., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The first meeting in the new year of the Degree of Honor was held Thursday evening, with a large attendance and installation of officers and the initiation of several new members took place.

Advertisement for Sipman Wolfe & Co. featuring various clothing items like girls' coats, suits, and children's coats with prices and descriptions. Includes an image of a woman in a coat.

Advertisement for Boys' Overcoats and Raincoats. Features an image of a young boy and describes various styles and prices.

Advertisement for Men's Neckties and Coats. Features an image of a man in a suit and describes elegant neckties and coats with prices and sale details.