

BALFOUR HOPEFUL OF WORLD LEAGUE

Difficulties Deemed Not to Be Insuperable.

BIG PROBLEMS TO BE MET

Duty of Peace Conference in Framing Groundwork Seen.

WAR INSURANCE DEMANDED

Foreign Affairs Secretary Points Out How Change for Future Hostilities Must Be Minimized.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—Great Britain will demand of Germany \$5,000,000,000 sterling (\$83,880,000,000) for Great Britain and her dominions as reparation for the war, according to the Daily Mail. The newspaper says it understands that David Lloyd George, the Premier, will make this announcement in a speech at Leeds today.

This, the Daily Mail adds, is what the war cost Great Britain and her dominions, and British taxpayers will be relieved of \$400,000,000 (\$1,244,000,000) per annum by the German payment.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—Arthur J. Balfour, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in outlining his views of the peace conference today told the Associated Press that he thought the meeting in Paris this month would be merely informal and preliminary to the conference of the associated governments at the first of the year, which would formulate all the important terms of peace agreements.

This conference, he added, would be the most important and the longest of the series. When it was finished the enemy countries would be called in to ratify the conclusions reached.

Wilson's Wishes Awaited.

Mr. Balfour said the British government had not yet made any fixed arrangements for President Wilson to visit England, as it would be premature to do so until more was known regarding the President's own plans. Great Britain would be guided solely by his wishes.

The Foreign Secretary said he believed the question of a league of nations was the most important work imposed on the conference.

"But I wish to say emphatically, in my opinion, to devise in concert workable machinery for them is one of the highest functions the conference can deal with."

Referring to President Wilson's phrase, "make the world safe for democracy," Mr. Balfour said:

"I do not think the world can be made safe for democracy merely by multiplying the number of democratic states."

Mr. Balfour explained that he was not thinking especially of Germany, but of new states in process of formation in Eastern Europe.

Utopia Not Yet Here.

"We must not assume," he said, "that when a state is created in Eastern Europe like that, wrong will be impossible. The passions which arise between neighboring democracies make them quite as prone to undertake strife as if under other forms of government. Some critics say that the changes that are being made in Eastern Europe will 'Balkanize' Europe, but I look forward to something different. It would be intolerable if Europe and America made no provision against turning Europe into a cockpit for further wars."

"I believe a league of nations will be required to superintend and control, not only the criminal ambitions of great autocracies, but to prevent any rash and inconsiderate countries from going to war. It is impossible to talk about democracy except for countries which have reached a relatively advanced stage of civilization. A league could be trustee for those less developed. Holding this view, I regard a league of nations, the greatest work of the conference."

Asked if Russia would be represented at the peace conference, Mr. Balfour replied: "It is hard to define what Russia is now. We have no relations with the Bolshevik government, which is the main de facto government in Central European Russia, but there are many other de facto governments. I think Russia's status will be settled at the peace conference. I cannot conceive that the conference will regard any Russian government as at present constituted entitled to send delegates."

Discussing the question of the war damages Germany will have to pay he said:

"I think if the amount is to be determined by President Wilson's 14 points, the narrowest interpretation of those points would call for a payment which would strain Germany's resources."

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 5.—The British government has decided to increase war pensions, owing to the high cost of living.

The increase will amount to 20 per cent.

WILSON PREPARES TO TALK ON SEA POWER

VIEWS WILL BE GIVEN SOON AFTER ARRIVAL IN FRANCE.

President Much Interested in Address of Mr. Churchill, Who Would Make Britain Supreme.

ON BOARD THE U. S. S. GEORGE WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—(By wireless to the Associated Press.)—President Wilson today read from the wireless dispatches Winston Spencer Churchill's renewed declaration for British naval supremacy. The President evinced great interest in the bulletin, but did not comment on it. It is apparent that this subject is uppermost in Mr. Wilson's mind and he is expected to express himself on it soon after reaching France, in a public address or in conferences with the entente statesmen, pending the sessions of the peace congress.

The President slept late today, but after breakfast he again was hard at work on his accumulated correspondence.

The George Washington is running in warmer waters, now that the vessel is approaching the Azores. The weather is variable today, but mostly fair.

President Wilson today was in wireless communication with Admiral Mayo on board the battleship Pennsylvania, which is conveying the George Washington in a public address or in conferences with the entente statesmen, pending the sessions of the peace congress.

It is probable that President Wilson will go to Italy after he has visited France and England.

WILSON IMPRESSES DUTCH

President's Address to Congress Meets With Approval.

BY CYRIL BROWN.
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AMSTERDAM, Dec. 6.—(Special.)—President Wilson's recent message to Congress has made a tremendous impression in Holland. The Rotterdam Courant hailed it as the day's most important news and says that it gives the clinching answer to the question whether President Wilson is still a supporter of his own 14 points programme and whether he will oppose any departure therefrom.

The Amsterdam telegraf says: "After President Wilson's speech it must be clear to the whole world that the great American Republic will become an international factor of almost overwhelming importance. All comment must be silent before President Wilson's towering arguments."

VANCOUVER CAR HELD UP

Robber Takes Cash Away From Conductor and Escapes.

A robber held up L. R. Fisher, conductor of a Vancouver car, at 1:15 this morning, while the car was bound for the car barn. The robber jumped on the trailer at Williams and Killingsworth avenues. Pointing a revolver at the conductor he ordered him to hand over his money.

Before the conductor had a chance to comply the outlaw seized the money-changer and a sack containing the receipts and leaped from the car.

The robber is described as about 30 years old. He wore a straw hat with a black brim, a black shirt and overalls.

At Tait, northwest of Copiapo, there were several deaths and many persons were injured.

RELATIVES NOT ALL FOUND

Many Casualties Yet to Be Reported to Next of Kin.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The official statement issued today shows that of the total major casualties reported by General Pershing on November 27, 59,928 have been reported to the next of kin, with 7550 still to be reported. Of the 14,385 missing and prisoners of war sent in by General Pershing 14,093 have been reported to relatives, but of the 189,955 total wounded only 69,841 have been cleared up finally.

WOMEN WOULD KEEP JOBS

Cleveland Railway Employees Seek to Establish Legal Status.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 6.—At a meeting tonight of women employed as conductors on local streetcar lines it was decided to begin legal proceedings to establish their economic and legal status.

The women assert that the demand for their dismissal as streetcar employees is a boycott.

PENSION RISE IS ASSURED

British Government to Increase War Allowances 20 Per Cent.

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HEARST'S AID HELD VALUABLE TO HUNS

Brisbane Inquiry Brings More Disclosures.

WASHINGTON POST IS NEEDED

New York Publisher Declared "on German Side."

BERNSTORFF LETTER READ

To Have Publication Under Control of Friendly New Yorker Held Highly Desirable.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Confidential records of the Department of Justice dealing with the activities of German agents and others in the United States were placed today before the Senate committee investigating brewers and German propaganda by A. Bruce Bielaski, chief of the department's bureau of investigation.

They dealt with correspondence of Count von Bernstorff, former German Ambassador, and others concerning the possible purchase of the Washington Post and other newspapers; the sending of William Bayard Hale to Germany as correspondent of the Hearst newspapers, described by Von Bernstorff as having "outspokenly placed themselves on the German side," and with suggestions of fomenting trouble between the United States and Japan as a means of stopping munitions shipments to the allies.

Washington Post Available.

Mr. Bielaski told the committee that under date of October 17, 1914, Count von Bernstorff sent this message from Washington to Dr. Bernhard Dernberg and Heinrich P. Albert, German propaganda agents in New York:

"The Washington Post was offered to me today for \$2,000,000, with the understanding to buy it back again after the war for \$1,500,000. A second offer was to put the paper entirely at our disposal for two months for \$100,000. The paper is of importance as the only large newspaper of the capital. How do you stand on the question of the money? I have not yet inquired of Berlin."

There was nothing to show that any reply was made, but Mr. Bielaski said that under date of October 27, 1914, the German Ambassador sent this message to the Berlin Foreign Office in cipher:

"In the official accounts for the first and second quarters of 1914 will be found entries of payments to Mr. Theodore Lower. As to this I have to report that the gentleman is of German origin and is married to a German lady. He offered us his service to work on a paper in Washington, the National Courier. This offer came at the time we were deeply regretting the death of John R. McLean. This gentleman had given his newspaper an entire anti-English character so that his death left a great gap which the National Courier can, unfortunately, never hope to fill."

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Official Casualty Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Casualty lists today contain 1750 names: 285 killed, 41 died of wounds, 3 in airplane accident, 5 in other accidents, 296 died of disease, 105 are wounded severely, 390 degree undetermined, 588 slightly and 117 are missing. Following is the tabulated summary:

Deaths	Reported	Today	Total
Disease	21,600	285	21,885
Lost at sea	398	—	398
Died of wounds	41	3	44
Died of disease	12,870	296	13,166
Died of accident	1,703	5	1,708
Total deaths	44,110	550	44,660
Wounded	51,164	1,083	52,247
Missing and prisoners	15,629	117	15,746
Total casualties	110,903	1,750	112,653

The following casualties are reported by the Commanding General of the American Expeditionary Forces:

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Killed in action—Loret Desantes, Woodstock P. O., Portland, Or.
Clark, R. G., Warner Lake, Or.
Fisher, Charles S., Minam, Or.
Wounded—undetermined.
Monaghan, William E., Samhill, Or.
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YANKS IN GERMANY MET BY RELATIVES

Detroit Boys Find Kin in Town of Bitburg.

FOE WELCOMES AMERICANS

When Blood Ties Are Discovered Huns Change Attitude.

WORKMEN ARE ORGANIZED

Tenon Councils Throughout Country Are Said to Be Trying to Do Away With Bolshevism.

BY BURR PRICE.
Special Correspondent of the New York Herald.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMIES IN GERMANY, BITBURG, Dec. 5.—(Delayed in transmission.)—When the first American troops marched through here yesterday there was a distinct feeling of aloofness and awe to be noticed among the inhabitants. They regarded the doughboys as strange, envied the mounted troopers their horses and drew back as the huge camions rolled by.

But this feeling was all swept away by one incident.

As Captain Niederprygn, of Detroit, rode through the streets at the head of his company, the old Burgomaster gave a little cry of joy and went forward to greet him. He was an uncle of Captain Niederprygn and formerly lived in Detroit.

Huns in Bitburg Friendly.

In fact, it appears that there are many one-time residents of Bitburg now in Detroit. I have heard of more than one incident similar to that of Captain Niederprygn. One doughboy has discovered a friend here who has three brothers in the saloon business in New York City. A girl who is a waitress here once lived in Manhattan and has a brother in the United States Army.

As a result of all this, the inhabitants of Bitburg are quite cordial to the Americans this evening.

In dealing with the civil authorities in the district of Treves the heads of the American Army of occupation recognize the Burgomasters of the old regime. However, there exists in Treves a fully organized Workmen's Council chosen by the present powers in Berlin.

Council Headquarters Visited.

Today, with several other newspaper correspondents, I called on the members of this council. On leaving our hotel we asked the first, small boy we met where the officers were, and he led us to a five-story building in the center of the city.

Apparently it was untenanted and we were met on the ground floor foyer by a man who might have been a carpenter, dressed for a Sunday promenade and smoking a pipe. He took us in charge and led us through a doorway to the back stairs, up five flights

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SUPERINTENDENT OF U. S. AIR MAIL RESIGNS

ALLEGED BURLERSON PLAN TO FAVOR NOVICES SCORED.

Captain Lipsner Protests Against Apparent Scheme to Give Jobs to Inexperienced Men.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Captain E. B. Lipsner announced here tonight that he had tendered to Postmaster-General Burleson his resignation as superintendent of the aerial mail service.

The reasons given were that he had been informed novices are to be placed in charge of important branches of the service and special airships constructed for carrying mail.

The resignation of Max Miller, first pilot of the service, was announced at the same time for the same reasons.

Captain Lipsner said he attempted last night to discuss with Otto Praeger, second assistant postmaster-general, the order relating to the appointment of inexperienced men to important positions in the aerial service as well as the proposal to have special mail-carrying airplanes, but had been cut short with the announcement that the conclusions had been reached and would be carried out regardless of what he thought or said.

"I wish to resign," he said, "to keep spotless my record as first superintendent of the aerial mail service. . . . We have made and maintained the most remarkable record of 100 per cent efficiency and the only way to supply the country with the extensive aerial mail service which it demands is to keep obstructionists away from it."

BLIND MAN KILLS FATHER

Parent Strikes Son, Who Strikes Back, Felling Former.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—James Hughes, 38 and totally blind, engaged in a battle of fists with his father, Martin Hughes, 58, on the street here tonight, and when the encounter ended the father lay dead upon the pavement.

"I was struck by my father," Hughes told the police, "and in self-defense I struck back with both fists wildly because I could not see him nor tell where to strike."

According to the police the older man's death was caused by a fracture of the skull when his head came in contact with the pavement.

966 RIOT VICTIMS BURIED

Many Bodies Are Yet Lying in Ruins of Burned Dwellings.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6.—Nine hundred and sixty-six victims of the anti-Jewish outbreak in Lemberg, Galicia, have been buried so far, according to the newspaper Nowy Dziennik, of Cracow, as quoted by the Jewish press bureau here.

Many bodies are yet lying in the ruins of burned dwellings, it is added.

WILSON ARRIVAL DELAYED

President Expects to Reach Paris Saturday, December 14.

PARIS, Dec. 6.—The Havas agency says that President Wilson has delayed his arrival in Paris 24 hours.

He will land at Brest on Friday, December 13, but will not come to Paris until the following day.

W. H. TAFT REFUSES OFFER

Ex-President Declines to Become Baseball Commissioner.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—William H. Taft announced here tonight he had decided to decline the offer to become a baseball commissioner to succeed the present National commission.

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LOYAL LEGION OF LOGGERS TO STAND

Organization to Continue on Peace Basis.

500 DELEGATES IN ACCORD

Amity Between Employer and Employee to Be Perpetuated.

CO-OPERATION IS PLEDGED

New Central Council Is Chosen at Convention to Outline Future Policy of