

'CONDITIONAL NO' TO BE GERMANY'S REPLY

Counter-Proposals Are Being Rushed to Completion.

GOVERNMENT STANDS FIRM

Officials Not Ready to Abandon Hope of Securing Peace Based on Wilson's Principles.

(Copyright by the New York World. Published by arrangement with BERLIN, May 19.—(Special cable.)—Simultaneously in Versailles and Berlin work is being done on the text of Germany's reply, which will be a "conditional no." The reply will consist of a general introduction and counter-proposals.

The introduction setting forth that the peace treaty in its present form is unacceptable, is backed up by elaborate details and arguments to prove that the conditions violate President Wilson's principles, pointing out that Germany is unwilling, unable to accept the treaty, as the Wilson principles were accepted by both sides, thus virtually constituting a preliminary peace treaty.

Official circles have not as yet given up all hope that verbal negotiations may bring about an acceptable compromise between a "Clemenceau and Wilson peace." At the same time the wise ones are bracing themselves for the shock of a final ultimatum to sign or to refuse to sign.

Government to Stand Firm. In the event of this ultimatum, all observers agree that the present government will remain true to its principles and will not assume the responsibility for accepting peace in approximately its present form, nor would the present national assembly sanction the signing or ratify the treaty afterward.

Decision to not sign the present treaty must not change. Real peace is impossible as long as the entente insists on carrying out peace terms that cannot be fulfilled. A real, permanent peace is in sight as soon as the entente returns to the just basis of President Wilson's 14 points.

The independent socialists are in favor of signing the treaty because they believe it will hasten the coming of the world revolution and with it, the treaty's revision. The majority socialists take the directly opposite view and assert that the present treaty would crush socialism in Germany and spike its further progress.

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GALLANT AUSTRALIAN AVIATOR WHO FLEW FROM NEW FOUNDLAND TO WITHIN SIGHT OF COAST OF IRELAND.



HARRY G. HAWKER.

Leutenant Colonel Leslie Orme Wilson on behalf of the government.

BROOKLANDS, England, May 19.—Mrs. Hawker, wife of the aviator, arrived at the Sopwith airfield this afternoon.

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Rescue Is Difficult. "We were rescued with difficulty because the smother of the Ionia was tossed about like a cork. All of us were seasick; otherwise we did not suffer."

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The Nisbeths, on the other hand, say that they have \$25,000 invested in the sanitarium, but that the physicians have abrogated the contract by failure to carry out all its provisions and ask \$10,000 damages.

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Two Platoons Petitioned. YAKIMA, May 19.—Petitions claimed to bear 1900 signatures were presented to the Yakima city commission yesterday asking for the establishment of the two-platoon system in the city fire department.

Shipping Bureau Surveyor Here. SEATTLE, May 19.—On his first tour in several years of Pacific coast ports, Captain G. G. Sharp, chief surveyor of the American bureau of shipping, arrived here today.

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