

# GERMANS ARE SULLEN ON EVE OF SIGNING

## Foundation of Better Relations With Allies Not Laid.

### BREACH WIDER THAN EVER

#### Final Reply to Teuton Challenge of Resistance Is Forcible Ultimatum. Paris Press Jubilant.

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PARIS, June 24.—(Special Cable.)—If one strip away the dialectical and disputable qualities of the final German note, there is left a weighty and solemn document which must give thought to all who read it.

It had an undoubted effect upon the correspondents and those members of the American mission who saw it Sunday night. Barring those passages in which personal pleading was employed, it embodies much of the sentiment that has been uttered by liberal opinion since the first treaty draft became public.

But, with German self-centeredness, they interwove their strength with their weakness and produced a work that reacts upon them, for it stands it was neither an acceptance nor a rejection, in spite of the cunning manner in which it was veiled as an acquiescence. The request that the treaty be submitted within two years to the high council of the league of nations was, of course, an effort to surprise an admission from the allies that the instrument was faulty and unstable.

#### Heavy Changes Expected.

It was asking too much to have the big four agree to the demand, although the secret belief in the mind of the majority of those connected with the conference is that within a short time there will be heavy changes in the document, assuming that Germany shows good faith.

The request for a modification of the clause finding the German responsible for the war is a natural one, since this goes to the point of reparations and a shift in responsibility would vitally affect the operations of the reparations commission.

The German points regarding the so-called dismemberment of the country are among the strongest made, but on these there have already been partial concessions granted, and there is strength in the notation on colonies, from which the Germans say the treaty permanently bars them, even to the extent of making new settlements.

#### Foe's Challenge Taken Up.

The last answer of the allies was the most forcible that they have yet sent. It was really an ultimatum, and as such, was accepted almost unanimously by the Paris press, which likes quite understandingly all forms of force when applied to the Germans. The stinger in the allied reply lay in the final paragraph, which was introduced and phrased by M. Clemenceau, reading: "After the signature the allied and associated powers must hold Germany responsible for the execution of every stipulation of the treaty."

This was a direct answer to the precept of resistance, implicit, if not explicit, in the German note.

It is the best response to the threatening challenge the Germans made, with the end at hand there must be noted a complete absence of the good feeling. Instead, the breach is seemingly wider than ever before, sullenness, despair and antagonism ruling where it was hoped there might be laid the foundation of new and better relations. While this condition might be partially attributed to the character of the treaty it has been nourished and accentuated by the German attitude in declining to accept more gracefully the inevitable. In their play for the record they have strained every point and left nothing that even loosely ties them to their enemies.

# NEW STRIKE PAPER ISSUED

## ANONYMOUS SHEET APPEARS IN WINNIPEG STREETS.

### Publishers Proclaim Intention to Maintain Organization in Spite of Officials.

WINNIPEG, June 24.—A new strike publication, the Western Star, appeared today after the office of the Western Labor News was raided last night by northwest mounted police. The Star, consisting of one sheet and not carrying the name of the editor or place of publication, sharply criticized the authorities for closing the labor organ.

"As fast as the authorities close one channel of truth, another will appear," said an editorial.

J. S. Westworth, Vancouver, B. C., former preacher, editor of the News, was arrested on a charge of sedition and copies of the paper, today's issue, were confiscated. Strikers are returning to work individually in increasing numbers, it is stated. Several labor leaders today predicted the strike will be called off before the end of this week. It was reported the central strike committee tonight discussed calling off the strike.

VANCOUVER, B. C., June 24.—Decision to "stand pat" on the sympathetic strike here was voted by strikers at a mass meeting today attended by approximately 3000 men. According to J. Kavanagh, a strike leader, if no settlement in the controversy is reached by Friday, 5000 loggers in British Columbia camps will be asked to join the strikers' ranks.

# SHIPS BRING OREGON MEN

## WALTER D. WHITCOMB, PORTLAND OFFICER, ARRIVES.

### Large Number of Western Fighters Reach New York on Group of Transports.

BY PEGGY CURTIS.

NEW YORK, June 24.—(Special.)—The several ships which arrived yesterday brought back to this port thousands of American soldiers. La Tourette carried the following western men of Stagnon, casual company 5947, who went to Camp Merritt: Sergeant Harry Miller, Independence; Sergeant Robert E. Hobbs, Portland; Helmut B. Dewitz, Salem; William B. Sherburne, Denver; Senter W. Smothers, Portland; Earl C. Courtney, La Grande; James V. Williams, Winlock; Jay L. Combs, Seio; James N. Miller, Coquille; Fred M. Schuerman, Ashland; Samuel

# T. Meyers, Benson; Everett M. Penland, Portland; William F. Brand, Portland; Ralph S. Ivey, Milwaukie; Walter S. Berry, Wallowa.

Stagnon casual company 5956, special discharge; Sergeant Archie C. Fleener, Salem. This company goes to Camp Mills.

On the United States steamship Mallory was the 366th Brest convalescent detail, not yet assigned here, in which were Joseph Owen, Portland; August Vauchay, Banks; Ben Twombly, Bay View; Simon C. Sletton, Silverton. There was also the 335th company, with Captain George S. Clark, Portland; Ernest C. Aandt, Portland; John E. Payne, Aurora; Vane H. Seely, Portland. In a Brest special casual company was Sergeant Forest Wilson, Portland.

United States steamship Mexican brought company D, 515th engineers, in which was Ralph Hedges, Portland. On United States steamship Yaquina was Stagnon casual company 4988, coast artillery corps, including Washington E. Harbaugh, Portland, now at Camp Merritt.

On the Patria was the 9th aero squadron, with Clarence Bowes, Salem; 15th aero squadron, William A. Armstrong, Corvallis; Manley Frohishon, Junction City; Page W. Conrad, Ruthland; 2d balloon company, Claude R. Snyder, Bend. These units are at Camp Mills.

Base hospital 93, with the following Oregonians in it, went to Camp Merritt: Sergeant John E. Gillmore, Portland; Philip M. Killian, Baker, George W. Riggs, Portland; Glenn S. Macy, McMinnville, and Privates Leander P. Tolifson, Corvallis; Walter H. Leisaman, Willamette; Thomas J. Hoyt, Portland; John H. Brother, Leona; Frank H. Boucher, Leona; Frank E. Engdahl, Helix; John W. Davis, Portland.

The following went to Camp Merritt: Second army provisional sanitary train headquarters detachment, Sergeant Russell E. Rogers, Portland; ambulance company 157, provisional sanitary train, second army, Arthur Wickland, Shuttle; ambulance company 147, same; Olie C. Giles, Baker City; 11th photographic section, James G. Benson, The Dalles; casual officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Walter D. Whitcomb, Portland.

# FIRE CONTROL IMPROVING

## BEND, OR., BLAZE UNDER CONTROL THIS AFTERNOON.

### Residents of British Columbia Town Taken Away in Box Cars to Escape Menacing Blaze.

MISSOULA, Mont., June 24.—The forest fire conditions in district No. 1 of the forest service seemed improved today, according to reports to the headquarters here. While probably 15 small fires were newly reported, the workers' messages stated that control lines had been established about a number of the blazes.

The most dangerous fires are now in the Lolo, Flathead and Clearwater forests, though they were reported as placed under control. Fifty men were sent to the Flathead forest today to subdue the dangerous White river fire, though all other fires in that forest are controlled.

Two new fires in the Kaniksu and three in the Madison forest were reported, though none of them was regarded as dangerous. The destructive fire at Haugan is engaging the attention of 250 firemen and it is believed that it will be entrenched within a few hours.

BEND, Or., June 24.—(Special.)—Fire which has been burning in the timber on Tumalo creek, ten miles from here, was under control today. Fire warden J. J. Bowman reported. Damage done to standing pines, which might have been excessive during the latter part of the season, was slight, averaging about 2 per cent over 150 acres.

HELENA, Mont., June 24.—The brush fire in the timber lands in the Spokane hills east of Helena has been brought under control after having burned over an area of between 4000 and 5000 acres and extended over a front of six miles. The timber was small, but much valuable range was destroyed.

FERNIE, B. C., June 24.—Word reached here today that most of the residents of Natal, B. C., were taken from the town in a special train of box cars early Sunday when threatening forest fires appeared about to sweep the place. A volunteer fire crew, which was in the town, extinguished the blaze after it had spread in the immediate vicinity had spent itself. The residents of Natal spent all day Saturday fighting the fires.

# CYCLOPS CLEW IS FOUND

## Mother Receives Message That Supposed Lost Son Is Safe.

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 24.—Another of the many clews to the lost collier Cyclops, all of which so far have been exploded, turned up here today when the mother of Otto Ramsey, a seaman on the ship, received a telegram from New York, saying he was "safe in this country again," and that the missing vessel was in a German port.

The navy records show that Otto Ramsey of Columbia was a seaman on the Cyclops and he is listed as "lost at sea" with the ship.

Officials think the message a hoax, but as they expect to solve the mystery some day, they are carefully looking up every clew.

# Oregon Canal Employees Protest.

## OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, June 24.—Civil employees in the Panama canal zone government who are from Oregon cabled a protest to Senators Chamberlain and McNary today relative to curtailments in the canal zone appropriations carried in the sundry bill. The cablegram was signed by a committee composed of W. J. Platts, H. T. Drill and Miss S. C. Dorsey.

# HIGH BOARD PROPOSED TO ANALYZE TREATY

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### HARD WORK IS FORESEEN

#### President Accepts Plan for Polish Inquiry Into Truth About Jewish Pogroms.

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PARIS, June 24.—(Special Cable.)—Consideration is being given a vital suggestion that the allies form a high committee of their conference members which shall sit at Paris for some time to come to answer questions which are bound to arise in construing the treaty. Frequent interpretation, it is expected, will be necessary.

Who shall form America's representation on this body is not yet known, but it may be Secretary Lansing or possibly Bernard M. Baruch. The latter is constantly mentioned as a member of the high reparations committee, but he is disinclined to accept. His position on the reparations question is sound, and his understanding of the subject has won for him the support of both the British and the French, although he has frequently been at variance in judgment with both. The real work on the treaty will only begin with the signing. After that the heaviest part remains to be done.

If leaders tonight that President Wilson, having accepted the plan to send a commission of inquiry to Poland to learn the truth regarding Jewish pogroms will name Henry Morgenthau, former ambassador to Turkey, and Colonel Warwick Green, who did good work for the Rockefeller foundation in Europe previous to our entrance into the war.

Jewish leaders here, who include Justice Brandeis of the United States supreme court, are happy over this action, for they say shocking evidence will be developed that will bring crimes directly to the door of certain government officials and will show Polish influences introduced pogroms in sections where they had never before practiced.

Interest is aroused here by the news of the sinking of the German fleet at Scapa Flow. These vessels were interned, not surrendered, and therefore the act was not treachery, although clearly a breach of trust. Until the treaty disposed of the ships they remained the property of Germany, so she will claim the right to do with them as she pleased.

It may be that the sinking solved a vexatious question, for there were grave difficulties in the way of arranging an amicable distribution of the fleet. America has always contended for destruction as being the most equitable method, and it appears as if she has won her point, but in a most unexpected manner.

# WAR BRIDE BRINGS SUIT

## \$15,000 Asked for Alienation of Affections by Parents.

MARSHFIELD, Or., June 24.—(Special.)—A suit for \$15,000 has been filed in the Coos county circuit court by Mrs. Ivy Rose Hale against Mr. and Mrs. William Hale of this city, based on the claim that Mr. and Mrs. Hale had alienated the affections of her husband, Lloyd Hale, a son of the defendants.

Until recently the marriage of Lloyd Hale was a secret on Coos bay, but Mrs. Ivy Rose Hale, whom he married while a soldier in California, appeared here when her husband was dangerously ill in a hospital, and after being refused permission to see him produced her marriage certificate.

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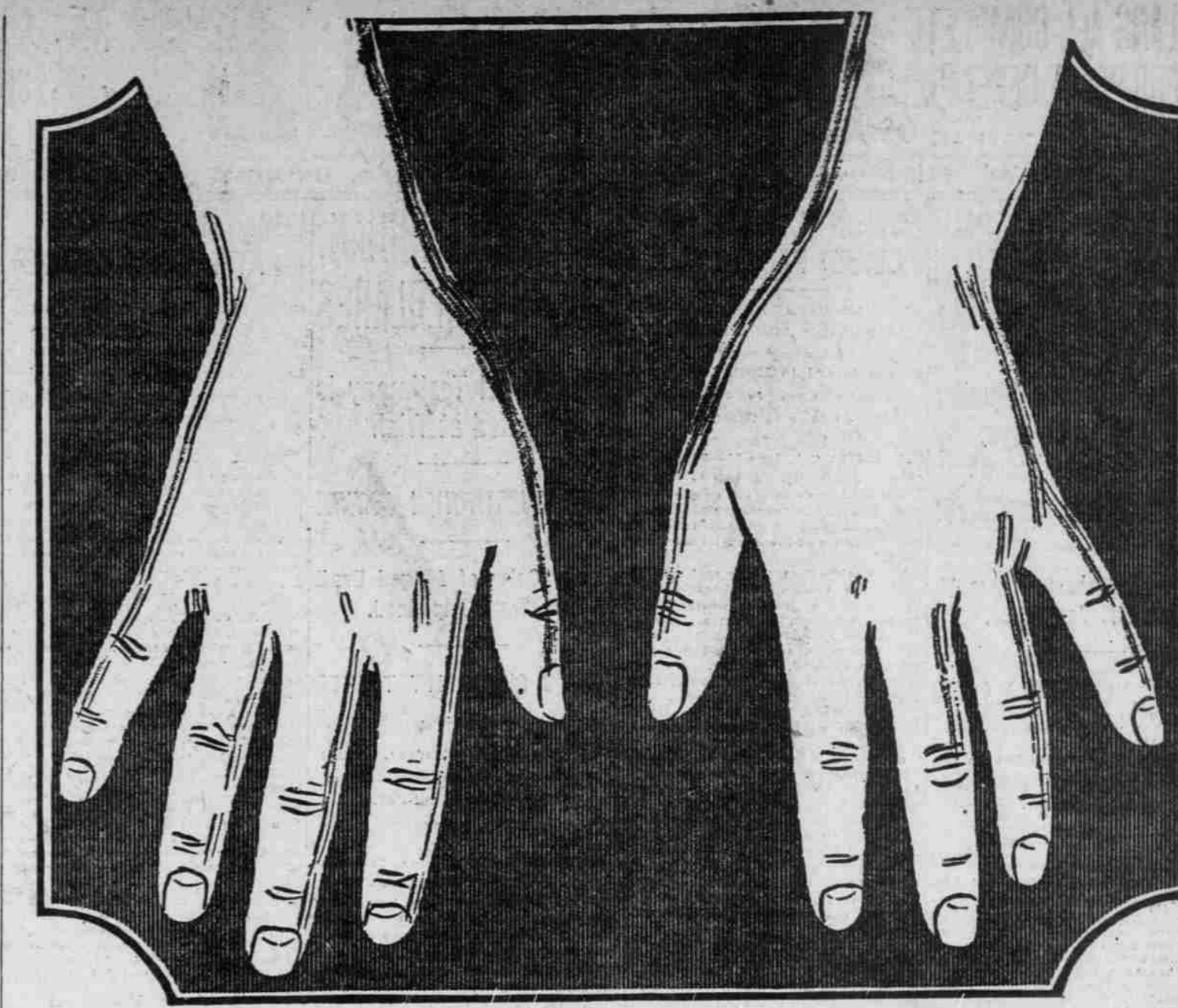
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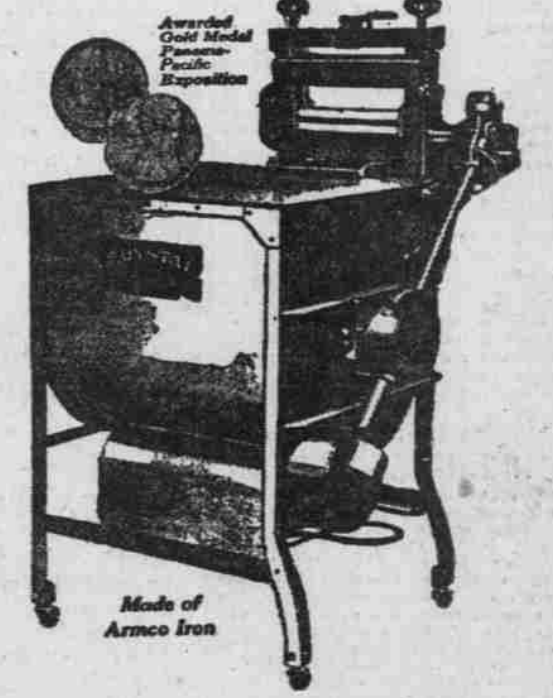
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