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WILSON SOUNDS NOTE FOR PEACE

United States Pledged to Work for Harmony.

NEW DIPLOMACY IS URGED

Address Is Interpreted as "Feeler" to End War in Europe.

BELIEFS ONLY ARE GIVEN

President Says His Is Not Programme—Need of Open Discussion Held Clear.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—President Wilson declared here tonight before the League to Enforce Peace that the United States was ready to join in any feasible association of nations to preserve the peace of the world against "political ambition and selfish hostility" and in service of "a common order, a common justice and a common peace." He expressed the hope that the terms of peace which end the present war would include such an arrangement.

Outlining suggestions for peace, which the President said he hoped the United States would make when it has the opportunity to do so, he included provision for absolute freedom of the seas, a contention which has been the keystone of all the diplomatic discussions with Germany and Great Britain, and virtual guarantees of territorial integrity and political independence.

Address "Feeler" for Peace.

Officials interpreted the President's address as a preliminary feeler for peace in Europe. He outlined the conditions on which the United States would move if it made a formal mediatory offer with the idea, it was understood, of learning how such suggestions would be received abroad. "I am sure," said the President, "that the people of the United States would wish their Government to move along these lines:

"First—Such a settlement with regard to their own immediate interests as the belligerents may agree upon. We have nothing material of any kind to ask for ourselves and are quite aware that we are in no sense or degree parties to the present quarrel. Our interest is only in peace and its future guarantees.

Freedom of Seas Necessary.

"Second—An universal association of the nations to maintain the inviolate security of the highway of the seas for the common and unhindered use of all the nations of the world and to prevent any war begun either contrary to treaty covenants or without warning and full submission of the cause" to the opinion of the world—

FALL FROM PORCH KILLS STOCKMAN

ALBERT WURZWELER IS DEAD SOON AFTER 30-FOOT DROP.

Victim, With Brother, Owned Large Eastern Oregon Ranch and Had Big Mercantile Business.

Albert Wurzweler, 55, fell from the third-story porch of the Mordant Apartments, Eighteenth and Everett streets, at 2:30 P. M. yesterday, sustaining injuries that caused his death at Good Samaritan Hospital an hour later.

The impact of his body as it struck the cement walk, 30 feet beneath, was heard by L. A. Eaton, janitor of the apartments, who rushed to offer assistance. Mr. Wurzweler appeared to be severely injured, but his condition was not considered alarming. He was conscious, and told Mr. Eaton that he had been overcome with vertigo, which caused him to fall from the porch.

Mrs. Wurzweler was at the hospital when he died. The victim, Milton, is a student at Leland Stanford University, Palo Alto, Cal. A brother, William Wurzweler, is at Prineville, where they were partners in the operation of one of the largest stock ranches in Eastern Oregon. A sister, Mrs. Sam Rothschild, resides in San Francisco.

Albert Wurzweler came to Pendleton, Or., from Germany in 1882. He engaged in the general mercantile business in Pendleton and Joseph, Wallawa County. Four years ago he came to Portland.

He was a member of the Woodmen of the World, Elks and Oddfellows, a 32-degree Mason and a Shriner.

MEAT TICKETS REQUIRED

Holders in Germany Must Take Turn on Special Days.

LONDON, May 27.—The Commune of Griedenau, near Berlin, has decided to number all meat tickets as a measure to check rioting outside butcher shops, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company, which quotes the Berlin Tageblatt.

Holders of tickets must take their turn at the butcher, according to number, and those unable to go on the specified date will get no meat for that week.

25 YEARS BETWEEN VISITS

Boyhood Friends in Austria Meet at Pomeroy After Long Separation.

POMEROY, Wash., May 27.—(Special.)—When Pete Theinert, a wealthy farmer of Garfield County, met and recognized Frank Corte, two friends grasped hands after a 25-year separation. Forty-five years ago these two men, then lads, lived in the little village of Obergostits, Austria, attended school together and were chums.

Their last meeting was in Wenatchee, 25 years ago.

ONE ON MOOSE COMMITTEE

Linn County Body Shy as Few Vote and Names Not Written In.

ALBANY, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—One lone member constitutes the Progressive County Central Committee of Linn County. He is M. R. Johnson, of North Harburg precinct.

In the recent primaries the few Progressives who voted wrote in the name of no other central committee. No Progressive votes were cast at all in 48 of the 53 precincts of the county.

OLYMPIAN 100 YEARS OLD

Birthday Cake Feature of Dinner for Bradley Loper.

OLYMPIA, Wash., May 27.—(Special.)—Mrs. J. W. Spencer, of Olympia, gave a birthday dinner in honor of her grandfather, Bradley Loper, with 100 candles on the cake.

The centenarian is a native of New York and was reared in Missouri. He has lived in Olympia 11 years.

HUGHES' STRENGTH IS GAINING DAILY

Favorite Sons Fail to Stir Enthusiasm.

SECOND BALLOT MAY DECIDE

Band-Wagon Delegates Taking Note of Public Trend.

OREGON VOTE SWAYS MANY

Professional Politicians Continue to Try to Name Some Other Than Justice, but Those in Rank Feel New Yorker Can Win.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 27.—Justice Charles R. Hughes, of New York, continues to be the favorite in the Republican Presidential contest, although he still lacks the assured support of the necessary number of delegates to make certain his nomination. Whether the situation will change sufficiently in the next ten days to give him a clear majority on the second ballot is a matter of general speculation.

There seems no likelihood that a nomination will come on the first ballot at Chicago, because of the large number of favorite sons and pledges that have been made by uninstructed delegates. But it seems certain that after the first ballot some of the favorite sons will either withdraw or see their support quickly scatter, with a possibility that the nomination may come on the second ballot. Particularly is this likely to occur if one or two of the favorite sons, with substantial followings, withdraw after the first ballot and swing their support to Hughes.

Favorite Son Stock Slumps

At no time during the pre-convention campaign have the favorite sons shown any particular strength outside their immediate localities, and several of the favorite sons, so-called, are going to the convention without a single instructed vote behind them. Since the Oregon primary, on May 13, favorite son stock has taken a tremendous slump. Today there is not one among all the favorite sons who shows any signs of adding materially to his strength after the first ballot; rather, the indication is the other way.

The Republican old guard is busy and has been busy for two weeks to head off the trend toward Hughes in the hope of bringing about the nomination of some Republican more acceptable to the old party leaders. But the attempt to check the Hughes tide thus far met with no success. The great difficulty of the anti-Hughes men is to find a candidate who can command the support of all delegates whose first choice is some other candidate than Hughes. No such man has developed and, what is equally important, Hughes is the second choice, and frequently the actual personal preference of many delegates now instructed to support favorite sons.

Root Choice of Old Guard

Root, of New York, is really the first choice of the old guard and has been for some time, but there have been no developments which encourage Root's friends to believe they can nominate him or that they can elect him if he should be nominated. The hope has been entertained that perhaps Roosevelt, after a series of ballots, might swing into line for Root and at least give him a chance for the nomination; but if Roosevelt himself should make such a move—and there is not the slightest indication that he contemplates such a thing—he could

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WAITE IS GUILTY IN FIRST DEGREE

Jury Quickly Convicts Young Slayer.

INSANITY PLEA IS FUTILE

Prisoner Abandons Hope and Seems Resigned to Fate.

SENTENCE TO BE JUNE 1

Trial Concludes With Evidence of State's Alienists, Who Declare Confessed Murder Sane; Court Ignores "Moral Imbecility."

NEW YORK, May 27.—Convicted of murder in the first degree for poisoning his father-in-law, John E. Peck, a millionaire drug manufacturer, of Grand Rapids, Mich., Dr. Arthur Warren Waite is tonight in the Tombs prison where he will remain until Justice Clarence J. Shearn sentences him on June 1 to death in the electric chair.

Walter R. Deuel, the young dentist's chief counsel, said tonight the verdict of guilty was a proper one. He declared that all that could be done for the defendant had been done in the trial which ended today. One of Mr. Deuel's assistants said, nevertheless, that preparations are being made to take an appeal at once. Mr. Deuel was in consultation with his client for a few minutes after Waite was remanded to his cell in the Tombs this afternoon.

State Ready to Combat Appeal.

District Attorney Swann said tonight that if an appeal were taken, his office would be ready in 10 days to argue the case in the higher courts.

Waite declined to make any statement from his cell, but said he might issue "some impression" later. That he was inclined to accept the verdict as final and was resigned to his fate seemed to be indicated by his remark, "This is a great relief," as he was led from the courtroom.

The dentist, who admitted not only the murder of Mr. Peck, but also of Mrs. Hanna Peck, his mother-in-law, and who admitted that he attempted to kill his wife's aunt, Miss Katherine Peck, apparently had no doubt that the jury would convict him. As the jury retired he turned to his brother, Frank, and said:

"The jury should not be out five minutes. It was a long, drawn-out proceeding."

Waite Remains Hopeless.

Half an hour later he remarked: "I don't understand this." "You should not talk that way," said Frank. "They may be finding you not guilty."

"Oh, yes, they will find me guilty," insisted Dr. Waite. The trial lasted six days, which was almost a record for brevity for an important murder trial here in recent years. As compared with Waite's trial, the first trial of Charles Beckin for the murder of Herman Rosenthal lasted 15 days, while Harry K. Thaw's first trial occupied 43 days.

Leaving the courtroom at 1:20 P. M., the jury was out only one hour and 25 minutes. After returning the verdict, the foreman declared the jurors had made a compact not to reveal the nature of their deliberations.

The young dentist preserved his nonchalant demeanor, not only while facing the jury to learn his fate, but after he was led back to the Tombs prison.

Conviction Apparent Earlier.

Apparently unmoved, he confronted the jury without displaying other emotion than relief that the ordeal was over. When he had given his pedigree

FOUR KILLED AT FIRE IN COLLEGE

FRESHMAN AND OFFICIAL IN TOWA SCHOOL MEET DEATH.

Four-Ton Bell Crashes on Men Trying to Save Records—Others Hurt Rescuing Art Works.

OSKALOOSA, Ia., May 27.—Four men were killed, two badly injured and property damage estimated at between \$50,000 and \$100,000 wrought by the fire in the main building of the Penn College here early today.

Robert H. Williams, business manager of the college and state secretary of the Prohibition party, Harry Oakley, a freshman; George Raber, a railroad fireman, and an unidentified man were killed.

George Minear and Howard Kelley, students, are in the hospital. The fire broke out in the biological laboratory on the second floor of the building and reached a 40-gallon tank of alcohol which exploded, scattering liquid fire in all directions. Insufficient water pressure hampered the efforts of the fire department.

Williams and Oakley were killed while attempting to save the college records. The fire reached the cupola and the four-ton college bell crashed down through the building, wrecking the front wall and burying the victims under tons of debris.

Raber and the unidentified man were in a party of half a dozen who were carrying buckets from the library when the bell fell. Raber and his companion ran toward the front of the building, while the remainder of the party ran to the rear. Tons of debris are now piled on the spot where the two were last seen.

Minear and Kelley were hurt while rescuing the S. H. M. Hyers' art collection, which was hung in the chapel hall. The collection is said to be worth \$50,000. Both will likely recover.

WHARF FALLS; 5 MEN HURT

Captain of Steamer Bandon Among Injured at Port Orford.

GOLD BEACH, Ore., May 27.—(Special.)—The wharf at Port Orford collapsed at 3 o'clock this afternoon, injuring five men, two probably fatally. The steamer Bandon, owned by the A. F. Estabrook Company, en route from Bandon to San Francisco, called at Port Orford for a deck load of ties and tied up to the wharf to take on a cargo. Five thousand ties were piled on the wharf. The swell drew the vessel against the wharf while on the bound, and the vessel pulled the wharf over.

Those injured are Jesse Sutton, George Fort, John Stone, John Hill and the captain of the Bandon. Several others saw the impending accident in time to reach safety.

FAIR WEATHER PREDICTED

Government Forecasts Normal Temperatures for Ensuing Week.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Weather forecasts for the week beginning Sunday for various parts of the country, issued by the Weather Bureau today, say:

Rocky Mountain and Plateau regions and Pacific States: "Generally fair weather with normal temperature is probable during the week."

RIGGS BANKERS ACQUITTED

Three Officials on Trial for Perjury Found Not Guilty.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The three Riggs bank officials, on trial here for perjury, were today found not guilty after the jury had deliberated nine minutes.

Charles C. Glover, president; W. J. Flather, vice-president, and H. H. Flather, former cashier, were the defendants.

British Steamer Sunk

LONDON, May 27.—The British steamship Danewood has been sunk. Her crew was landed.

MERRY QUEEN ROSE RULES OREGON CITY

Booster-Day Crowds Are Greatest Yet.

PORTLAND ATTENDS IN FORCE

J. E. Werlein Plots to Steal Queen, but Is Caught.

DEMON PESSIMISM SLAIN

Rosarians and Large Delegation From Portland Arrives Aboard Grahama; Governor Heard and Concert Is Given.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—The demon pessimism was destroyed today at what was undoubtedly the best-attended and best-arranged booster-day and stock-show celebration in the history of the city.

The demon was pulled from the river when fishermen went out to catch a salmon for Queen Rose. As an example to all knockers, he was paraded through the streets in a cage and at sundown tonight he was shot and then electrocuted.

But the demonstration was unnecessary. If there were human followers of the demon in Oregon City, they were hidden in the cellars. King Joy, assisted by King Earl and Queen Rose, today held undisputed sway over Oregon City and the thousands who came here from Portland and all parts of the county.

Rosarians Try to Steal Queen.

The one unexpected break in the program was when the Portland Rosarians, who were here with their band, attempted to kidnap Queen Rose and take her to Portland. They had her Royal Majesty in an automobile and were doing their best to slip away when caught by Sheriff Wilson, Deputy Sheriff Frost and Special Agent Maher, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company. A party of Fallsarians backed up the officers.

"Surrender our queen," demanded the Sheriff. J. E. Werlein, the Rosarian at the bottom of the plot, was reluctant to follow the command, but finally a compromise was reached by which the Rosarians surrendered Queen Rose and the Oregon City Fallsarians promised to send a delegation of 15,000 from Clackamas County to the Portland Rose Festival in June.

Governor Is Heard.

Portland turned out in truly loyal style to the celebration, and it is largely through its co-operation that the celebration can be classed as the best in the town's history, in the opinion of members of the publicity committee of the Commercial Club. The Rosarians, the Portland Ad Club and other Portland organizations were represented in the parade, and the Motorboat Club assisted with the events on the river. The Portland party came here on the steamer Grahama.

The morning was devoted to an address by Governor Withycombe, the stock parade, stock-judging and drills and a May-pole dance by the children of the schools, and early in the afternoon a salmon and the demon pessimism were caught. The grand parade, headed by Marshal J. T. Apperson, began its march through the crowd that filled Main street soon after 2 o'clock. The awards for entrants in the parade follow:

Grange floats, Damascus, Or., first; lodge floats, Woodmen, first; Live Wire, second; commercial, Oregon Vulcanizing Company, first; out-of-town floats, Gladstone, first; Beaver Creek, second; lodges, largest number in line.

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PICTORIAL COMMENTS BY CARTOONIST REYNOLDS ON SOME EVENTS IN THE PAST WEEK'S NEWS.

