

# PERMANENT PEACE DECLARED OUR RIGHT

## Secretary Baker, Says Any Other Is Inconceivable.

# SPIRITS OF DEAD DEMAND

## League of Nations Characterized as Passionate Demand of the Men in the Streets.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 4.—Speaking here tonight before the Buffalo Chamber of Commerce, Secretary of War Baker declared it inconceivable that the peace conference would make the world war an insupportable tragedy by failing to provide for a league of nations or some other arrangement to prevent such disasters in the future.

"We here in America who have worked and paid," he said, "the fathers and mothers who have given their sons, surely have a right to some high assurance of future peace as a consolation for their sacrifices. One cannot close his eyes and think of the peace conference at Versailles without feeling that there hover over it the spirits of millions of dead men demanding that the sacrifices be not in vain, that the statement of the world now secure to mankind the blessings which they died to obtain."

Mr. Baker said he had no intention of speaking for the President, whose statements had been explicit and in whose hands the case of America now was placed.

**Tribute Paid President.**  
"He stands with head erect," said the Secretary, "in the ancient places of the old world, where other kinds of treaties used to be made, and represents a great and free people. He is the advocate not of a form but of a principle."

"It may be that there are voices in this country which quiver with hesitation and here and there timorous uncertainty, but back of him in that council chamber are the voices of the democracies of the world of the men who labor and the women who sacrifice. He is by force of events the spokesman of the democracy of the world, and the compositions of this war will be a new Magna Charta, a new bill of rights to liberate the children of the future from the burdens of the past."

As to the proposal for a league of nations, Mr. Baker said it was not such a scheme as the holy alliance suggested by some of our critics. "It is not proposed out of cabinets of absolute ministers," he said, "but is rather the passionate demand of the man in the street, the simple and the unsophisticated who know little of the intrigues and wiles of statecraft; but who know a very great deal about the suffering and sacrifice which war entails."

**Intricate Questions Faced.**  
"For my own part, I refuse to be timid about America's capacity to do new things which will make a new world. I decline to distrust our purpose or to shrink from moving forward because the road seems wider and higher than roads we have traveled hitherto. I do not know what form these arrangements can take. I am not wedded to any particular method of preserving the peace of the world. I do not believe that so great an object can be accomplished by merely adhering to a particular form of words or phrases."

The peace conference, he said, undoubtedly faced intricate and difficult geographical and racial questions. It would be conceivably possible, he added, "to make treaties ending this war in the old way, quieting its present discord and dealing with each national claim as though it were individual and of no community interest."

"But we had a world raised in the old way in 1914," he continued. "In the last months of that year the heads of currents of international misunderstanding were swirling together and I know of no more pathetic picture than that of the helplessness of the great and enlightened governments of the world as their interests watched the stream and realized that no provision had been made to stem it."

**Disaster Could Not Be Averted.**  
"Sir Edward Grey in London exhausted the arts of traditional diplomacy to gain a moment for reflection; everybody saw the horrible magnitude of the impending disaster, but there was no organized opinion of the world, there was no agency through which the same restraints of humanity and justice could operate."

"It is inconceivable that the peoples of the world would be willing now to face the possibility of another such trial without protecting in advance modes of concerted action which will restrain the madness of the moment and be assured of just consideration dispelling forever the illusion that either national greatness or national safety essentially depends upon the ability of a people to destroy life, wealth and property without stopping first to test out the possibilities of accommodation and concord."

"We have had centuries of leagues among nations for the purpose of making war, offensive and defensive. Is it too much to believe that in this enlightened age a league to prevent war has become impossible?"

The war had given America a new vision of her own strength and power, Mr. Baker said.

**Democracy Has Been Tested.**  
"We have made a voyage of discovery and found unsuspected capacities in ourselves," he continued. "Democracy has been tested and proved as effective as it is wholesome. Politically, democracy has vanquished other systems, and with this political liberty there has come to us in increasing measure a vision of the possibilities of commercial and economic justice."

"It was the spirit of freedom and

# ACTRESS TELLS SECRET

## A Well-Known Actress Tells How to Darken Gray Hair With a Simple Home Made Mixture.

Jocely Williams, the well-known American actress, who was recently playing at the Imperial Theater in St. Louis, Mo., made the following statement about gray hair and how to darken it:

"Anyone can prepare a simple mixture at home, at very little cost, that will darken gray streaked or faded hair, and make it soft and glossy. To a half pint of water add 1 ounce of bay rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 1/4 ounce of glycerine. These ingredients can be bought at any drug store at very little cost, or any druggist can put it up for you. Apply to the hair twice a week until the desired shade is obtained. This will make a gray-haired person look 20 years younger. This is not a dye, it does not color the most delicate scalp, is not sticky or greasy and does not rub off."

right that animated the American Army in France," the War Secretary declared. "The Hindenburg lines crumpled like houses of cards in the face of that spirit," he said, and after the taking of the St. Mihiel salient in September, "an American General with 2,500,000 American soldiers at his back drove through the Argonne forest, took Sedan and so shattered the whole German system of military operations that surrender more complete than unconditional was accepted by Germany at the point of the sword when the armistice of November 11 was signed."

**Criticisms Touched Upon.**  
Mr. Baker made only one reference touching subjects of criticisms of the War Department recently voiced in the Senate. "Although there is much talk of the United States having to rely upon Great Britain and France to supply its armies with heavy artillery," he said, "nevertheless, American industry did, in fact, supply to Great Britain and France practically an equivalent to that made available to us from them. American industry was able to meet the demands made upon it, and on the day the armistice was signed our Army abroad was thoroughly equipped with American-made rifles and machine guns, some heavy artillery had been shipped and the stream of supplies of all types of artillery, ammunition and equipment was beginning at such a rate as would have supplied our own vast forces entirely from our own sources within a very few months."

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# GRAND JURY FAVORS PAROLE LAW CHANGE

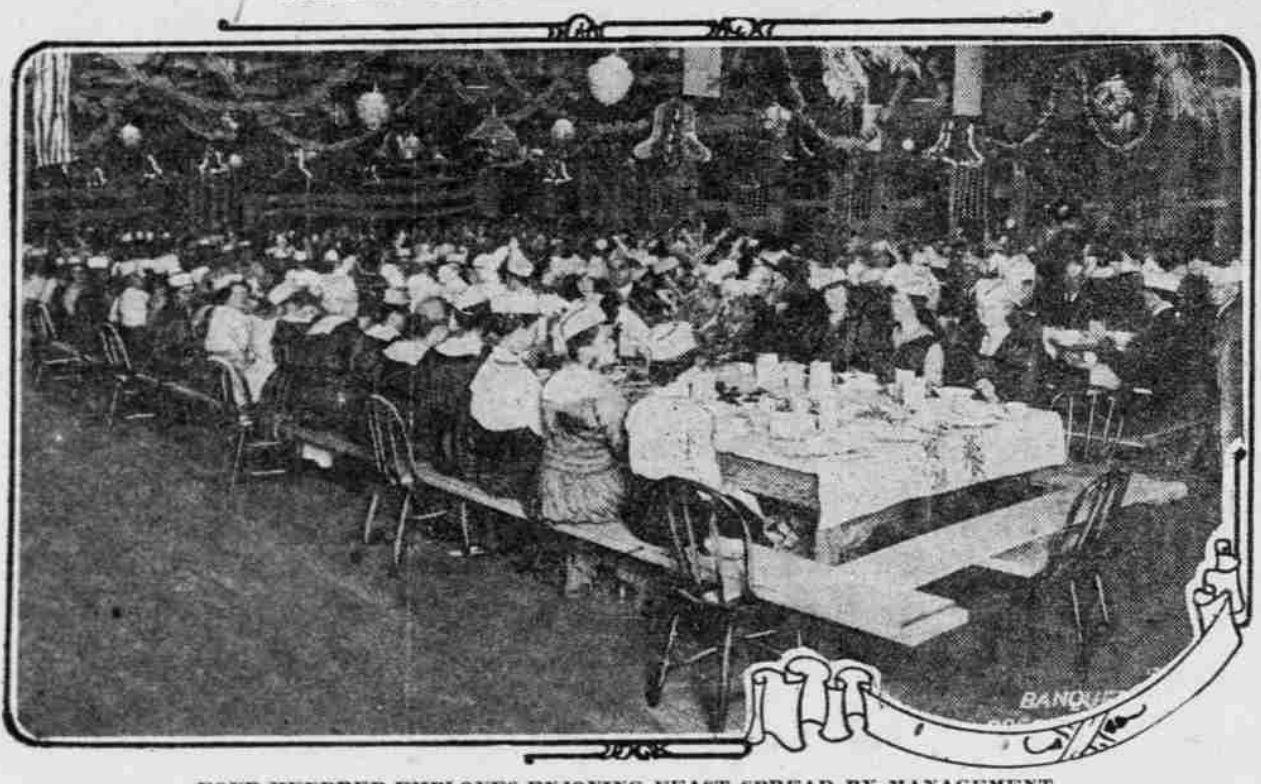
## Practices of Certain Prison Officials Are Scored.

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## OREGON CITY WOOLEN MILLS WORKERS CELEBRATE.

**Management Announces Eight-Hour Day, Continuation of Bonus and Extra for Long Service.**

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Last Saturday night one of the largest banquets ever held in Oregon City was given the employees of the woolen mills by the management. Everyone made the most of the Christmas celebration and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Four tables, each 66 feet long, were gaily decorated for the occasion and nearly 400 plates were laid. Santa Claus appeared and distributed presents to the guests and Bequet's orchestra rendered music throughout the evening. Vaudeville players from the Panjages circuit added much to the entertainment.

At the close of the banquet A. R. Jacobs gave an address, in which he sprang several agreeable surprises. He announced that the mills would go on an eight-hour basis and on vote of the employees it was decided to work more than eight hours during the first of the week and take Saturday afternoon off.

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Another announcement made was that the bonus system will be continued and in addition to the present policy 2 1/2 per cent extra will be allowed for six months' continuous service and 5 per cent for one year, 7 1/2 per cent for two years, 10 per cent for three years and 15 per cent for five years.

A rousing demonstration was given by Mr. Jacobs and as the guests filed out Santa was again on the job and distributed presents.

# CABLES GREATLY BURDENED

## COMPANIES UNABLE TO HANDLE ALL BUSINESS PRESENTED.

George Creel Reiterates Statement That There Is No Censorship on U. S. Correspondents in Europe.

PARIS, Jan. 1.—(Delayed.)—George Creel, chairman of the committee of public information, commenting today before his departure for Rome on reports in Congress and the American Press of Governmental control over the cable transmission of press dispatches, said:

"The only rationing done is by the cable companies themselves. They are unable to handle all the business which is coming their way."

In amplifying his statement, Creel previously, that he wished to have nothing to do with the representatives of the press after reaching Europe, Mr. Creel recalled the fact that before departing from Washington he said he would have no connection with the work of American newspaper correspondents in Europe.

"This still stands," he continued. "My sole contact has been personal and cooperative."

Mr. Creel said he was engaged in closing the offices in Europe of the committee on public information and winding up its affairs.

**Dam Protects Ranger Station.**  
A dam has been constructed in the Zigzag River in the Oregon National forest to protect the ranger station, the soil about which is being washed away. The forest service also has announced the completion of the Rogues River trail between Kelsey and Mule Creeks, in the Siskiyou National forest. For the latter work \$5000 of the 10 per cent money and \$2000 of the county money, received from sales of Federal forests, is available. The trail is about 30 miles long and is large enough for pack horses.

# IMPORTS SHOW INCREASE

## Records for Eleven Months of 1918 Total \$2,820,326,193.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Exports from the United States during November, 1918, were valued at \$222,272,694, the department of commerce reported today, as against \$187,227,694 for the same month in 1917. Total exports for the 11 months ended with November, 1918, were valued at \$5,584,978,478 against \$5,632,377,591 for the same period in 1917.

Imports in November were \$251,008,637, against \$220,334,550 for November, 1917. For the 11 months of 1918 ending with November they were \$2,820,326,193 compared with \$2,724,556,168 for the same period in 1917.

# RECEPTION WILL BE GIVEN

## All Negro Organizations Will Meet at First African M. E. Church.

A public reception will be given tomorrow night at 8 o'clock at the First African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church by the pastor, officers and members in the church parlors, 417 Williams avenue.

All negro churches, fraternal organizations, clubs and business places will be represented at the reception and the public is urged to attend and meet the new pastor, Rev. A. C. Yearwood, of British Guiana, South America, who succeeded Rev. W. L. Rowan on Sep-

tember 29. A musical and literary program will be furnished and will be assisted by a choir of 25 voices. Refreshments will be free.

# STAR OFFICERS INSTALLED

## Joint Services Are Held Friday in Masonic Temple.

Joint installation of Eastern Star officers was held last Friday night in the Masonic Temple by the Myrtle Chapter No. 15, Camella Chapter No. 27, Corinthian Chapter No. 54 and Rose City Chapter No. 86.

Installing officers were: Mrs. Mabel Settlemyer, worthy grand matron; Mrs. Alice C. Cowell, grand marshal; Mrs. Miriam Burnett, grand chaplain; Miss Wilma Rinehart, acting grand organist, and Mrs. Jennie G. Rinehart, grand lecturer. A programme was given by Miss Helen Harner, Miss Gertrude Donnelly, Paul Petri and an orchestra composed of Mrs. E. L. Knight, Miss May Ross and Mr. Rollis.

# GEARHART HOUSE BURNED

## Seaside Department Trying to Aid. Finds Hose Won't Fit Hydrants.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—Fire, suspected of incendiary origin,

destroyed one business building at Gearhart about 11 o'clock last night. The structure, located almost opposite the site of the old Gearhart Hotel, belonged to Mrs. John Peterson, of this city, and was formerly occupied by Fred Elliott as a store and postoffice, but had been vacant for several months.

The residents of the district, by hard work, succeeded in saving the schoolhouse, 200 feet away. The Seaside fire department also responded, but as its hose would not fit the Gearhart hydrants, it was unable to get water. The loss is estimated at about \$3500 and is said to be fully covered by insurance.

# PAROLE LAW CHANGE URGED

## Your grand jury recommends legislation prohibiting all officers and employees from receiving or agreeing to receive money, gratuities, or other favors from prisoners, including those on parole, or from anyone else on their behalf, and prohibiting anyone connected with the penitentiary other than the warden or deputy warden from soliciting pardons or paroles from the governor or the parole board, for the reason that existing laws do not provide for the punishment of the reprehensible conduct of some of those connected with the penitentiary that has come to the attention of this grand jury."

"Steps are already being taken by the parties concerned to remedy some of the matters called to their attention by the report, particularly as the same pertains to the money belonging to the prisoners' loan fund and to the establishment of a more comprehensive system of cost accounting as well as some other matters."

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# MONTENEGRO IS ORDERLY

## French Troops Greeted Enthusiastically in Capital.

PARIS, Jan. 4.—French troops entered Cetinje, the capital of Montenegro, December 22. It is announced they were greeted enthusiastically and found that good order prevailed in the country.

Five members of the National assembly have been charged with the management of the country's affairs until the union of Montenegro and Serbia under the Karageorgievitch dynasty has been completed.

# FARM NEAR ALBANY SOLD TO EASTERNER

## ALBANY, Or., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—A farm of 306 acres, three miles south of Albany, was sold yesterday by the First National Bank of Albany to Peter Zehr, who came to Albany recently from Nebraska. This farm was owned for many years by Thomas Froman and is known as the "Tom Froman farm." The bank secured it a few months ago in the trade of a Benton farm with Thomas Stillman, who has conducted it for the past few years until recently. The farm adjoins Fro-

man station on the Albany-Lebanon branch of the Southern Pacific Railroad.

# White Star Negotiations Stop.

LONDON, Friday, Jan. 3.—The Press Association says it learns that a sudden stop which is likely to lead to the collapse of the negotiations, has occurred in the negotiations for the American purchase of the White Star line, whose vessels form a part of the International Mercantile Marine and fly the British flag.

# Socialists to Hear Talk.

"Reform or Revolution" will be the subject for the Socialist Labor party lecture at Alisky Hall, Third and Morrison streets, tonight at 8 o'clock.

# Hood River Red Cross Active.

HOOD RIVER, Jan. 4.—(Special.)—Secretary Ravlin reports that Hood River County people during the past

year contributed \$19,351 for Red Cross work. The largest expense item reached \$7691 for sewing-room materials and yarn for knitters. The organization manufactured 35,631 surgical dressings and 2776 hospital garments. The canton committees workers greeted 77,599 soldiers with fruits and cigarettes. Total county Red Cross contributions since the war began were over \$25,000.

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