

PRESIDENT WILSON'S LATEST NOTE WINS PRAISE OF CITIZENS

Leading Men Speak in Highest Terms of Policy in the German Situation.

HIS COURSE IS APPROVED

Document is Conciliatory Yet Firm From the Shoulder and Great Masterpiece, Says One.

President Wilson's latest note to Germany, made public Friday, is heartily approved by Portland citizens. Without exception those whose opinion was sought yesterday spoke in terms of highest praise of the manner in which the president is handling the delicate international situation.

Joseph Smith Not Admirer of Wilson

Head of Mormon Church Says He Agrees with the President's Purposes But Not in the Methods He Uses.

San Francisco, Cal. June 12.—(U. P.)—The Mormon church is pledged to uphold peace, it heartily agrees with the president's purposes but does not believe in the methods he has used. Still, this is the time when every loyal American should support the president.

Joseph Smith, president of the Mormon church and one of the leaders of the Republican party in Utah thus voiced his faith in the president in an interview here tonight. At the same time he welcomed Secretary Bryan's resignation.

"It was the best thing Bryan could do," he said. "Everyone knows he has been fighting for months and that he has had nothing to do with shaping the administration's foreign policies. He is nothing but a politician."

West Point Tests Given Applicants. Eight applications for appointment to the West Point military school were yesterday given a preliminary examination by Congressman C. N. McCaughy, who has the privilege of naming one boy who may enter the military school this year from Oregon.

The one who receives the highest grade will be recommended for appointment, the second highest will be named as alternate and the third highest as second alternate. The preliminary examination was held at the Lincoln high school.

Dr. C. J. Smith's note is dignified and fine note, and simply helps to emphasize the attitude taken in the first note.

Ex-Senator Joseph Simon—I think the note is a marvel. I am very much in sympathy with the president's expressions. I think he has handled the situation admirably.

Rev. John H. Boyd—I was delighted by the calmness of the note's tone and by the open ways that reach out from it by which we are brought to a better understanding of the great thought and meaning of it is the plea for humanity, having in mind the above interests of trade and mere national honor. It puts our position upon the unchallengeable basis of humanity. That is where I think the greatness of the note lies.

Richard W. Montague—I think it is an admirable note, without an more vigor of expression than was necessary to protect our rights, conceived in the spirit of utmost friendliness and yet abating not a whit of our insistence upon the root of the matter.

Eugene B. Smith, president of Central Labor Council, approves the stand taken by President Wilson in behalf of humanity. I think the last note is better than the first one. Organized labor is opposed to anything that will lead to war unless the country is invaded.

Federal Judge R. S. Bean—it is an admirable state paper and a clear presentation of the American point of view. The situation was handled in an unusual manner. The note is one which the note is clothed in unsurpassed.

C. C. Cott, president of the Chamber of Commerce, the note is absolutely correct. President Wilson is correct in his stand, and I have yet to talk to a business man who does not approve of it. Only in good can come of the note, both at home and abroad.

Claude C. McColloch—The note represents accurately the sentiment of the country, and makes the distinction in diplomatic methods of this country, a democracy, and of the European monarchial methods. Secret diplomacy there led to the war. Here we are out in the open, and the president has put into words the thoughts of the people. It is the only position to take at this time.

Meeting Planned For Small Lines

Representatives of the smaller independent railroads of Oregon and Washington will hold a convention at the Multnomah hotel next Wednesday. According to a telegram received yesterday by L. P. Reynolds, assistant manager of the hostelry from Clarence Mc Odde, San Francisco. The organization is known as the Western Association of Short Line Railroads. It was formed several years ago largely to secure legislation favorable to successful operation of small lines.

ILLUMINATION IS TONIGHT

The Rose festival decorations on Broadway will be kept in place today and the street will be fully lighted as it was during the festival tonight. Workmen will take down the lights, flags and other decorations tomorrow.

S. S. New York Sails With Capacity List

Every Berth on Liner Sailing From England to United States Is Taken. No Anxiety Shown by Passengers.

London, June 12.—(L. N. S.)—Well known Americans were among the passengers of the liner New York which sailed today with every berth filled.

Boston station presented an animated scene on the departure of the boat train to Liverpool, the situation being the principal topic of discussion. It was noticeable that no anxiety was shown among the principal voyagers regarding the possible danger of the war zone. It being felt that Germany will not attempt to interfere with American shipping pending consideration of its decision on its latest United States note.

Among those aboard the New York are Sir Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia.

S. S. St. Louis Leaves New York. New York, June 12.—(L. N. S.)—Every berth taken, the American liner St. Louis today sailed for Liverpool. She carries 685 passengers who depend on the Stars and Stripes to get them safely across the North Sea.

Among the passengers is William Ramsey, a director of the Canadian Pacific railroad, who has made 102 trips across the Atlantic.

Expect to Succeed if They Can Dislodge Russians Along Dneister River.

PETROGRAD IS DOUBTFUL Believes Enemy Will Suffer Same Fate That Followed Its Drive on Latvian Coast Last Winter.

London, June 12.—(L. N. S.)—The Austro-German wing under General Linnsenger has rallied from the stunning blow struck by the Russian counter-offensive on the Dneister, and a battle of great proportions is now raging along the wide and marshy expanse of that crooked stream.

The Teutons, according to the statement received here tonight from Berlin, have checked the Russian offensive and have recaptured Zurawana from which they were driven several days ago.

Lemberg is still the German objective and it is not believed here that they will let the check received on the Dneister interfere with their plans. Continuous Austro-German successes are reported from the southeast, and the whole campaign is rapidly coming to a crisis on the Dneister.

Germanies in Control. The Germans, now control the crossing of the river at Zurawana, it is reported, and the Russians have been driven from their last positions on the Pruth, Bukowina having been cleared of the invaders. General Planzers' army advancing against these defeated Slavs, are reported by Vienna to have effected another crossing of the Dneister east of the Herodenka. The Russians admit the loss of Stanislaw and the Austrians have captured 5000 men. He tonight reported that 5000 Austrians have been captured by the Austrians army advancing from the north. Along other sections of the line additional captures are reported.

Armies Face Each Other. The German center around Mosaic, if necessary, is waiting on the success of the failure of Linnsenger's efforts further south. If the Germans can sweep the Russians back from their strong positions on the Dneister, Lemberg's fall is assured. Military critics in Petrograd, however, believe that the German's efforts on this front will meet with the same failure that their drive on the Latvian lines defending Warsaw did last winter.

The rival armies are now facing each other across wide stream and are making violent thrusts and counter-thrusts in an effort to gain the initiative. This so far seems to lie with the Germans.

The Russian official statement issued in Petrograd covers operations only up to the night of June 10. Berlin's reports of the recapture of Zurawana is two days later.

Meanwhile in the north the Germans are making a new move in the direction of Warsaw and have gained a success of some proportions on the Bzuzka. Heavy fighting continues in the entire Baltic littoral.

New Townsite to Be Opened. Ship Creek, Alaska, June 12.—(U. P.)—It was announced today that the government will throw open the new townsite of Anchorage, better known as Ship Creek, temporary terminal of the new Alaska railroad, July 1. Lots will be sold at auction.

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AERIAL ATTACKS MADE

Women Killed and Woman and Child Injured by Bombs Thrown by Austrian Aircraft.

Rome, June 12.—(L. N. S.)—The Italian advance on the Tyron-Trentino frontier has arrived within 13 miles of Trent. In the coastal operations against Trieste the king's troops have assumed command of both banks of the Isonzo at Gradisca, and strong forces operating from this new base have occupied Sagrado along the road to Ronchi. Meanwhile the column battering at the Montenero defenses and the other Austrian strongholds in the Tyrolino area, are making a strong offensive movement along the river as far as Tolmino, which they are attempting to outflank.

These are the most important features of the reports from the frontier received at the ministry of war tonight.

Apparently in reprisal for the successful naval and air operations against Monfalcone and Pola the Austrians today bombarded four Italian cities on the Adriatic coast. Two Austrian aeroplanes hurled bombs on Bari, Mola, Fajgnano and Monopoli, all seaboard towns lying just across the Adriatic from Soutari and Dussazzo. One woman was killed and a woman and a child were injured. These are the only casualties reported and the property damage was insignificant.

The report from Lieutenant General Cadorna regarding the Tyrolean operations, states that the advance of the Italians has reached Rovereto, 13 miles to the southwest of Trent and Mori, which is about five miles more distant. The report says that the Italians are so close to both points that they either must already have been taken or are about to be occupied.

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Tyrolean Beauty Is Second Joan of Arc

Maria Abbrami Decorated for Bravery in Leading Italian Infantrymen by King Victor Emmanuel.

TO DISCUSS SHIPPING UNDER U. S. FLAG

Congressman Alexander of Missouri to Address Chamber of Commerce at Luncheon Tomorrow Noon.

Congressman Joshua W. Alexander of Missouri, chairman of the house committee, will address the membership council of the Chamber of Commerce tomorrow noon at luncheon. Congressman Alexander has been here about 10 days visiting his sons.

The subject of his address will be the encouragement of shipping under the American flag, and his efforts to stimulate foreign commerce by means of the ship purchase bill, which was defeated by the senate filibuster near the close of the last session.

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TROOPS OF GERMANY AND FRANCE LOCKED IN VICINITY OF ARRAS

Movement of Infantry Unable to Make Progress Because of Bend in German Line.

FLYING STEEL FILLS AIR

Frenchmen Lose Trenches They Captured, Although Fresh Troops Are Brought Up to Defend Them.

London, June 12.—(L. N. S.)—Artillery action of the most terrific character, initiated immediately following the French success in handing the German line inward, southeast of the burthen, half way between Arras and the Aisne, has rendered movements of infantry impossible and neither army has been able to progress an inch, according to official reports received from Paris tonight.

The boom of high explosives and shrapnel, punctuating the attack of the machine guns and rifle fire, with an accompaniment of exploding hand grenades and bombs, has been incessant. The air has been full of steel, iron and lead missiles raining destruction like a tornado of death.

Berlin claims the French were checked with heavy losses in the close range fighting to the north of Bourlémont during yesterday afternoon. The French were driven out of the trenches they previously had captured from the Germans, even after twice bringing up fresh troops to brace the positions, says the German report. Southeast of Bourlémont the Germans claim to have advanced.

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