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REFUSES I() DEAL WITH

Germans Open Fierce Attack East of Argonne; Barrage Broken Up When Yankee Guns Put the Artillery Out of Business.

Great Gains Are Made by French in St. Gobain Sector With Enemy Giving Up Laon and La Fere; French Near Rethel.

London, Oct. 14 .- (L. N. S.)-Roulers is reported to have been captured by the allies.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY ON THE CAMBRAI-ST. QUEN-TIN FRONT, Oct. 14.—(I. N. S.) -A new drive was launched on the Flanders front today by British and Belgian troops, Fine progress was made.

The British are pushing toward the German key position at vancing in the direction of Chent, over 25 miles cast of the battle line. French troops are aiding.

The peace talk in progress now is not affecting in any way the enthusiasm of the men.

The new drive in Flanders was opened on a 20 mile front from Lys to Wervick. The Belgians. advancing five miles on a 10 mile front, are nearing Iseghem and Lendelde.

By Frank J. Taylor WITH THE AMERICAN FIRST ARMY, Oct. 14.—(Noon.)— Heavy German attacks east of the Argonne early today were broken up by American counter attacks. The Yanks met the Boches midway between the two lines, wielding the bayonet and tearing the

enemy waves to shreds. The German attack had been preceded by a heavy barrage, but the American artillery silenced the enemy guns, leaving their infantry without protection.

Later the American infantry went forward and began clearing out machine gun nests in the regions of Romagne, Gunel and Sommeraine.

Paris, Oct. 14.-(U. P.)-French roops are keeping in contact with the Germans on the whole front of the (Concluded on Page Eight, Column Three)

REPLY DISPLEASES SEN. CHAMBERLAIN

Oregon Senator Does Not Believe in Germany's Promises; Acceptance Opposed.

By John Edwin Nevin

Washington, Oct. 14.—(I. N. S.)—Germany's reply to President Wilson's of inquiry is an attempt to draw a United States into negotiations and not a promise of unconditional surren-Senator Chamberlain said today. volcing the sentiment of the senate military affairs committee, of which he is chairman. The German proposals should be rejected, he said. "I approved of the president's note to Germany because I felt that it was s diplomatic demand for an unconditional surrender," said Senator Cham-

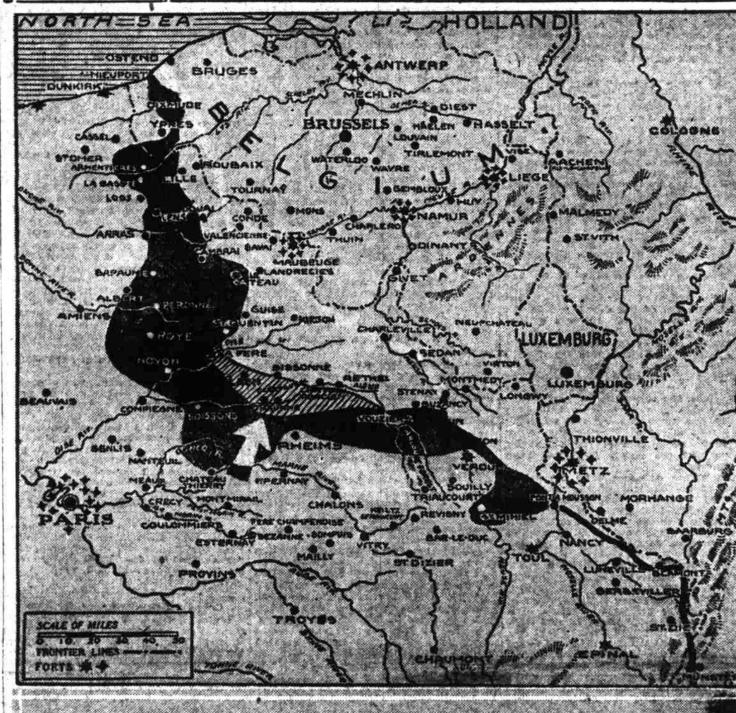
Whether, Germany's reply amounts to a promise of unconditional surren- est to Marshal Foch, who is winning der or not I am in doubt. There the war at the business end of the should be no doubt in any mind. "I have no confidence in Germany ing at the other. or in her promises and, reading be- We may consider it as settled in adtresident's note, I feel that it is for an armistice is presented to our rather a suggestion of negotiation than allies it will be acted upon in conformity a promise to surrender and, so feel- with the situation as seen by Foch and ing. I am not in favor of its ac- as existing in the military field.

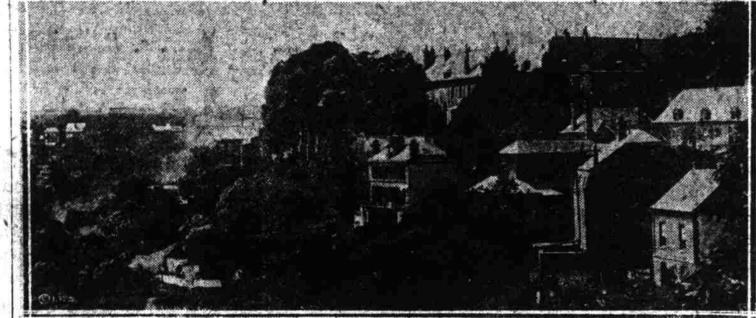
"The president ought to insist that died conditions will include a demand for the demobilization of the German positive and there cught to be no room for negotiation or compromise. Congress and the American people will sustain him in the course herein outlined."

We may take it for granted that the allied conditions will include a demand for the demobilization of the German army following the evacuation of The kaiser has granted an amnesty to a great number of persons who have been under arrest charged with political and military offenses, it was learned here tollined."

FRANCE REGAINS LAON, LA FERE, ST. GOBAIN

AP showing the tremendous French advance on the western front and a view of the recaptured city of Laon, one of the most beau tiful of French towns and the pivot of the German positions on the Paris front. The allied gains made since July 18 are indicated by solid black and the new French advance since Saturday is shaded. Hirson, the vital supply center of all German armies in France, is about 17 miles from present allied positions.





(Concluded on Page Eight, Column Four)

U. S. Protect Rights

Amsterdam, Oct. 14.—(U. P.)—The overnment of Luxemburg has appealed o President Wilson for protection of

the rights of that country, according to official dispatches received here today. Luxemburg demands that its territory

hall be evacuated by the German ar-

Amnesty to Many

Kaiser Grants an

Vanquished Huns Must Surrender Unconditionally

By Frank H. Simonds

TEW YORK, Oct. 14: - Pesident Wilson called upon the Germans to answer certain questions before he transmitted their request for an armistice to his allies. The Germans have complied by declaring that they accept the president's statements of the foundation of peace.

The next step, then, provided the president is satisfied with the German response, is to transmit the request to our allies.

When the governments of France, Britain and Italy have received that request, then, in company with our own, they will frame an answer. That answer will specify the conditions upon which Germany can obtain an armistice. All that has happened so far has been less certain that the conditions will

reliminary and personal between the include the occupation of the left bank resident and the chancellor—between of the Rhine from Holland to Switzerlermany and the United States. But land under proper guarantees that, save is of utmost importance for all of us to recognize that what is to come will

European Entente Vitally Concerned German scceptance of Mr. Wilson's Luxemburg Pleads to invaded France, to Britain suffering daily from new Garman outrages, to Italy with half of Venetia in Austro-

German hands. It is of no more than academic intergame, while the Germans are negotiat-

We may take it for granted that the

FOREST FIRE DEAD MAY REACH 1000 that the control of t

Devastating Flames in Minnesota and Wisconsin Are Believed to Be Receding.

Duluth, Minn., Oct. 14.—(U. P.)—A 20-mile southeast wind that sprang up late today threatened further forest fire danger in Northern Minnesota, according to reports to state authorities here It was said that unless the wind shifts or rain comes shortly the mining towns of Hibbing, Chisholm, Virginia and Eveleth

would be endangered. Duluth Minn., Oct. 14-(I. N. S.)-The forest fires which have taken a death toll in Northern Minnesota and Wisconsin, estimated at over a thousand, making 40,000 homeless, of whom 12,000 are destitute, are receding in their flerceness today, last reports being that everywhere they are being brought under control. Six hundred bodies had been ecovered this afternoon from the smolering ruins of towns and villages in the

path of the Northwest's most disastrous In the Moose lake district alone, fatalities are estimated at 400, while in other devastated sections figures bring the total to more than 1000. Fifteen thousand square miles of forest has been reduced to ashes by the fire, and estimates of the loss run from \$20,000,000

to four or five times that amount.

Nearly 200 bodies have already been brought to this city, which has made the objective of thousands of fleeing refugees. Rescue parties and comnies of home guards, fighting the flames, report that charred bodies are strewn along the roads leading through

The ruin in the wake of the five separate fires which were raging in the two states, includes the total destruction of 14 towns, among them Cloquet, Brookston, Brevator, Corona, Adolph, Thompson, Arnold, Moose Lake, Kettle River, Twig and Rice Lake. In the ashes of these towns many bodies have been reported.

The area burned over by the flames is estimated at 80 by 100 miles and

Appeal to President Is Received in Washington Through in Washington Through Spanish Embassy.

urkey, through the Spanish ambassa

to Ambassador Ryano in this city

Text of Turkish Appeal

The Spanish ambassador handed

'n mbajada De Espanza, Washing-

I have the honor to transmit

herewith, acting upon instructions

from my government, the text of

a communication received by the

minister of foreign affairs of Spain

from the charge d'afairs of Turkey

in Madrid on October 12, and which

my highest consideration.

reached me late yesterday, Sunday

'Please accept the assurances of

The Hon. Woodrow Wilson, Presi-

dent of the United States-The un-

dersigned, charge d'affaires of Turkey, has the honor, acting upon in-

struction from his government, to

form the secretary of the United

States of America by telegraph that

the imperial government requests

the president of the United States of

America to take upon himself the

task of reestablishment of peace, to

notify all belligerent states of this

demand and to invite them to desig-

nate plenipotentiaries to initiate ne-

Wilson's Terms Accepted

'It (the imperial government) ac-

cepts as a basis for the negotiations

the program laid down by the presi-

dent of the United States in his mes-

sage to congress of January 8, 1918

and in his subsequent declarations,

especially the speech of Septem-

'In order to put an end to the shed-

ding of blood, the imperial Ottoman

government requests that steps be

taken for the immediate conclusion

sea and in the air.'

appeal to the entente powers.

of a general armistice on land, on

Secretary Lansing has no comment to

nake on the Turkish appeal. It was

sent direct to President Wilson. Inas-

much as the United States is not at war

with Turkey, it is assumed that all the

president could be expected to do in the

circumstances would be to transmit the

However, officials said that it was too

early to forecast what action will be

taken. As a matter of fact, it was gen-

erally accepted that the reply to Ger-

Preliminary Work

request the royal government to in

'JUAN RYANO."

ton, Oct. 14, 1918.

'Mr. President:

(Signed)

gotiations.

ber 27.

the following communication to the secretary of state today to be de-

Germans Have No Government U.S.

and the entente allies. The bassador. It is brief and stated that Cologne Newspapers Comment Turkey accepts as a basis for peace the program laid down by the presion Answer Sent to Wilson; dent in his address to congress on London Fears Hun Reply Is January 8 and his subsequent declarations on the subject.

The Turkish appeal is for a general peace conference and was delivered by "Scrap of Paper": Suspicious

the charge d'affairs of Turkey in Madrid to the Spanish minister of for-Scheidemann Shown to Have Op- eign affairs. The minister transmitted posed Peace Party's Overture and the latter today delivered it to the secretary of state. The official Earlier in Year: Allies Must announcement of the state department Retain Military Advantages. regarding the matter was as follows:

ONDON, Oct. 14.-(I. N. S.)chief of the affied armies, has drafted conditions under which the allies will consent to an armistice with Germany, according to the Evening Standard.

London, Oct. 14 .- (U. P.)-British military authorities oppose an armistice to Germany under any conditions, it was learned on good authority here late today.

DARIS, Oct. 14 .- (U. P.)-"The I nation wishes to avoid an unconditional surrender," declared the Cologne Volks Zeitung, in discussing the German reply to President Wilson.

as possible."

The Cologne Gazette says: "No one should expect Germany to sacrifice her life in-

By Ed L. Keen

London, Oct. -14 .- (U. P.)-General

"What guarantees have we that this (Concluded on Page Eight, Column Five)

Northwest Wins Maximum Rate of \$1.10 for Apples

Washington, Oct. 14 .- (WASHING-TON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)-\$1.10 maximum today by agreement with the railroad administration. Judge Prouty, who had blocked the settlement, now concurs.

The new rate holds good only for the resent year and applies only to apples. It is understood the canned goods case will be dismissed.

KILLED IN ACTION

DIED FROM WOUNDS

Wash.
PRIVATE ALBERT T. WEST, emergency

address John West, Cathlamet, Wash,
OORPGRAL CHARLES M. BLACK, emergency address, Mr. Ida Black, R. F. D. 1,
Everett, Wash,
PRIVATE NELS HERIGSTAD, emergency

PRIVATE LEON MELFRESH, emergene idress, Joseph J. McElfresh, Redmond, Or. DIED OF DISEASE

LIEUTENANT WILLIAM G. KANTNER, mergency address, Mrs. Nell C. Kantner, Ever-

WOUNDED SEVERELY

B. Herigstad, Silverton, Or. REMMIE I. KELLY, emergency C. A. Kelly, 575 South avenue,

On Budget of 1919 ROLL OF HONOR

the city council this morning. Estimated receipts for 1919 are \$3,079,943, and dis-In the roll of honor printed below there are bursements are estimated at \$3,065,156. LIEUTEMANT CLIFFORD OSGAR HARRIS, emergency address, Mrs. William Robert Har-ris, 95 East Seventy-second street, Portland. For emergencies the sum of \$164,000 is

asked. This year the figure was \$157,-900. Commissioner Bigelow estimated that there may be a saving of \$75,000 on

Fireman Fined \$100 For Flour Hoarding

Joseph Herrie, former United States nail carrier and now a city fireman, pleaded guilty when arraigned before Judge Bean of the federal court today on a charge of hoarding flour and was fined \$100. United States Attorney Ha- trolled the German nation is of the sort ney recommended that Herrie be given a heavier penalty than was the custom of the German nation to alter it. The president's words just quoted naturally than a trick and that he work possession. Oscar Lind, who was indicted for flour hoarding, pleaded guilty and was fined \$50.

Can Honorably Meet, Says Wilson

No Armistice Can Be Thought of With Germany While Huns Continue Unlawful Practices, President Tells German Chancellor in His Prompt Answer

7 ASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—(I. N. S.)—President Wilson in his decision on the German peace appeal declares:

'Autocracy must go before peace can be concluded."

The text follows:

"From the secretary of state to the charge d'affaires of Switzerland, ad interim, in charge of German interests in

"Department of State, Oct. 14. 1918-Sir: In reply to the communication of the German government, dated the 12th instant, which you handed me today, I have the honor to request you to transmit the following:

"The unqualified acceptance by the present German government and by a large majority of the German reichstag of the terms laid down by the president of the United States of America in his address on the eighth of January, 1918, and in his subsequent addresses justifies the president in making a frank and direct statement of his decision with regard to the communications of the German government of the eighth and twelfth of October.

"'It must be clearly understood that the processes of evacuation and the conditions of an armistice are matters which must be left to the judgment and advice of the military advisers of the government of the United States and the allied governments, and the president feels it his duty to say that no arrangement can be accepted by the government of the United States which does not provide absolutely satisfactory safeguards and guarantees of the maintenance of the present military supremacy of the armies of the United States and of the allies in the field. He feels confident that he can safely assume that this will also be the judgment and decision of the allied governments.

associated as a belligerent, will con-fundamental matter. sent to consider an armistice so long as the armed forces of Germany con- ments associated against Germany

tice which they still persist in. "'At the very time that the German government approaches the government of the United States with proposals of peace, its submarines are engaged in sinking passenger ships at sea, and not the ships alone, but the very boats in many will dispose of the appeals of the to make their way to safety; and in their present enforced withdrawal from Flanders and France the German armies are pursuing a course of wanton de-

which has always been regarded as indirect violation of the rules and practices of civilize dwarfare. "Cities and villages, if not destroyed, are being stripped of all they contain, not Of City Is Started only of material things, but often of their very inhabitants. The nations associated against Germany cannot be expect-Preliminary consideration of the city ed to agree to a cessation of arms while pudget for 1919 occupied the members of acts of inhumanity, spoliation and deso-

lation are being continued, which they justly look upon with horror and with burning hearts. "'It is necessary, also, that there may

that the president should very solemnly call the attention of the government of Germany to the language and plain intent of one of the terms of peace which the German government has now accepted. It is contained in the address of the president, delivered at Mount Vernor on the Fourth of July, last. "The destruction of every arbitrary

ower anywhere that can separately, secretly, and of its single choice disturb the peace of the world; or if it cannot be presently destroyed, at least its reduction to virtual impotency." " The power which has hitherto con-

The president feels that it is also president feels bound to say that the his duty to add that neither the govern- whole process of peace will, in his judgment of the United States, nor, he is ment, depend upon the definiteness and quite sure, the governments with which the satisfactory character of the guarthe government of the United States is antees which can be given in this "It is indispensable that the govern-

tinue the illegal and inhumane prac- know beyond a peradventure with whom they are dealing. "The president will make a separate reply to the royal and imperial govern-

ment of Austria-Hungary. "Accept, sir, the renewed assurances my high consideration.

"ROBERT LANSING." Washington, Oct. 14 .- (I. N. S.) -- Just before Secretary Lansing this after-

noon made public President Wilson's decision in Germany's peace appeal the following most significant statement was made public at the White House:

"The government will continue to send over 250,000 men, with their supplies, every month and there will be no relaxa-By John Edwin Nevin

Washington; Oct. 14.-(I. N. S.)-President Wilson began preparation of the reply of the United States to Ger-

many's latest peace proposals at 11:30 The official text of the German note

was delivered to Secretary Lansing at be no possibility of misunderstanding. 11:55. It is the same as the unofficial document.

> A concerted demand - that German' peace proposals be rejected and that a demand for unconditional surrender be made by President Wilson was reported to Washington today as the national sentiment toward the new German peace note. That sentiment was recrived by the White House, the state partment and by senators and re-

posed to making any concessions to G here described. It is within the choice of the German nation to alter it. The president's words just quoted naturally constitute a condition precedent to peace, if peace is to come by the action