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SIMPLY WILLING TO DISCUSS PEACE

Thought in Berlin That Germany Simply Asks For a Discussion of Peace.

NOT FLAT REQUEST FOR PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

Diplomats Look Upon the Move As a Master Stroke.

By Carl Ackerman, United Press Staff Correspondent.

Berlin, Dec. 13.—The American Embassy believes that Germany has not flatly asked the neutrals to start peace negotiations. That she has merely requested America, Spain and Switzerland to inform the entente nations that the Central Powers are willing to discuss peace is the belief. The diplomatic corps considers this move a master stroke. Secretary Grew, of the American Embassy, personally typed the translation of the note. Chancellor Hollweg asked Grew to send it to London, Petrograd, Paris and Roumania. He asked the Spanish Ambassador to communicate with Belgium and Portugal. The Swiss Ambassador will communicate with Italy.

GREEKS AND FRENCH FIGHT

Berlin, via Sayville, Dec. 13.—The press bureau announced that a Greek captain had captured Katerini. Gen. Stand with 5,000 men were known to be at Katerini, on the Borbotakos line. Piercing the line of French posts, fighting is proceeding north of Katerini between the Greeks and French.

GREEKS STARTED IT

Washington, Dec. 13.—Official State Department dispatches said that the Greek Royalists fired upon neutrals' homes during the Athens rioting. They also fired shots at the neutral diplomats' dwellings. The State Department announced that the action caused the neutral diplomats to protest to King Constantine, and American Minister Drovers participated in the protest.

HIGH ENROLLMENT

Emerald.—The latest figures on the total enrollment of the University of Oregon give 950, according to Dean Straub. Dean Straub predicts that there will be 1100 students attending by the end of this school year. He also prophesies that by the end of the next school year the University will be able to boast of an attendance of 1300.

In his travels over the state, Dean Straub said he noticed a strong interest for the University. He remarked that he was surprised to find even in the parts of Washington tributary to the Columbia river a strong tendency towards the University of Oregon.

Rebekah's Party

Friday night in the I. O. O. F. Hall the Rebekahs will give their annual entertainment and Christmas tree. The members of the Odd Fellows and their families are invited. All are requested to bring some little present of a comic nature, which will be put on the tree. An entertainment will be given. The program will start after the regular lodge session of the Rebekahs.

MONEY WANTED FOR POOR PORTLAND TOTS

The Pacific Coast Rescue and Protective Society, of Portland, corner of Front and Burnside streets, wants some Christmas presents for the nearly 100 youngsters in its charge. They are in the Albertina Kerr Nursery Home, the Louise Home and the Portland Commons. Some things especially wanted are 200 sacks of potatoes, 25 sacks beans, 100 boxes apples, 1500 quarts canned fruit, 25 sacks onions, 1,000 pounds prunes, turnips, carrots, squash, 25 barrels flour. Goods will be sent free by the R. R.'s and should be addressed to any of the above homes, and marked charity. If money is sent address it to Dr. S. A. Brown, treasurer.

JUDGES AND COMMISSIONERS HOLD STATE CONVENTION

Yesterday Poor Farms, Etc., Today to Be Devoted to Good Roads.

The Oregon Convention of county judges and commissioners was opened in Portland yesterday. Judge McKnight, of this county, delivered the address in response to the welcome of Judge Huxton. Poor farms was an important subject discussed. A prominent speaker was ex-Governor West. Widows' pensions was talked about, and the present law declared ineffective. Today good roads is the subject, making the meeting one for their promotion. The program for today is as follows: 10 a. m.—"A Business Organization for Highway Road Work," John H. Lewis, State Engineer. 10:30—"Federal Aid for Post Roads," B. J. Finch, United States Senior Highway Engineer. 11:30—Address, Walter H. Evans, District Attorney Multnomah County. 2 p. m.—"State Highways" Hon. James Withycombe, Governor of Oregon. 2:30—Report of committee on re-codifying state road laws; O. Laurgaard, chairman; discussion; adjournment.

JOHNSON REALLY LIFTED TWENTY ALBANY GIANTS

Strongest Man Ever Seen in Albany Gave Exhibition at the Globe.

One of the biggest crowds of the season saw Johnson, the muscular Swede, do some feats of strength that were startling, leaving no doubt that he is one of the strongest men in the world. He pulled out a horse shoe, bent iron, broke a big rope, tore up a whole two and a half packs of cards and numerous other small things speaking for his enormous strength and expanding power, finally as a closing act lifting on a platform made for the purpose, 20 men. Volunteers were called for, and when Grant Pittle went forward it was thought there wasn't any use of calling for more; but Johnson insisted on the full 20, and big fellows like Conrad Meyer, Geo. Rolfe, Tab Davis and Patty Hornback responded, encouraged by the crowd. Then, working in harness, he lifted the platform, which was shoved sideways by Olin Nehergall, swinging easily off the floor. Johnson weighs 205 pounds, is not tall, but his muscles are like iron, well under control.

CITY NEWS

The Weather Report—Yesterday's temperature ranged between 36 and 48 degrees. The rainfall was .02 in., and the river dropped to 3.5 feet.

To Attend Funeral—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shaw went to Portland this morning to attend the funeral of the late J. J. Graham, who died Monday. Mr. Shaw was a brother-in-law of Mr. Graham.

To Visit Relatives—Mrs. G. E. Riggs left this morning for Portland where she will visit at the home of her parents during the holidays. Dr. Riggs will go down later, remaining in this city to attend to his practice.

Went to Georgia—J. M. Mann left yesterday for Atlanta, Georgia, and other southern points where he will combine a pleasure and business trip for the next few weeks.

Went to Illinois—Isaac Campbell left this morning for Springfield, Ill., to visit during the holidays.

Gene Simpson Here—Gene Simpson, pioneer pleasure raiser and breeder of Oregon, has been in the city today. Mr. Simpson is prime minister of the state pheasant over in Benton county, along the Coast ridge. He is authority on the care of the birds, and while he is not busy with pheasants is the swing of the henks of optimism around among his friends.

CENTRAL WILLIAMSON POULTRY SHOW OPENS

Many Fine Birds Entered in Show at Albany.

The annual show of the Central Williamson Valley Poultry Association opened this morning with a fine show of birds. The morning's show was a fine display of cockerels, and the afternoon's show was a fine display of biddies, struts and pens. There are 200 birds entered, and more are to arrive. The show will continue until Saturday night.

The association is headed by Ed. School, of Tangent, president. Mrs. C. W. Vunk, of this city, is secretary, and R. E. Torbet of this city, is vice president. A. J. Steele, also of Albany, is superintendent, and has charge of the exhibit at the armory.

Exhibits are present from all up and down the valley. The largest and most important exhibit is that of E. D. Schanen, of Lents, who has a fine collection of White Rocks. He is fresh from winning prizes at the recent show in Portland.

C. E. Armstrong, of Corvallis, has a fine display of White Leghorns. Among local exhibitors are Al. Riese, with some fine Silver Wyandottes; Robert Burkhardt, A. S. Hart and R. N. Torbet, with good looking pens of Barred Plymouth Rocks; Mr. Hadley, with Light Brahmas; C. P. Peebler, with pens of Cornish Indian Game fowls; James Blackburn with White Faced Black Spanish, and Judge D. B. McKnight with the same variety. Mrs. Albion Essen has on display a splendid lot of White Holland Turkeys.

Among the poultry supply houses with exhibits is the Murphy Seed Co., with a display of chicken feed, medicines, incubators, and other items in the business.

The poultry on display is being fed by a Portland seed house, using their poultry food in demonstrating. The judging began at 2:00 o'clock this afternoon. Harry Collier, of Tacoma, an experienced poultry judge and fancier, making the awards.

The display of fine fowls is a very creditable one and the association deserves commendation for their work in staging the enterprise. Late this morning Ed. School brought in an exhibit of Toulouse and China geese, bronze turkeys and black leghorn chickens. Eugene Prescott, of Salem, is here with a display of Salmon Favorable chickens. L. C. Armstrong of Albany, has a display of Buff Orpington chickens, and Harold G. Rumbaug, of North Albany, has his Rhode Island Reds on display. No admission is charged.

HOUSE NOT TO GO

Washington, Dec. 13.—It is learned that the administration does not intend to send Colonel House, President Wilson's personal adviser, to Europe to take a hand in the German peace movement. House spent last night at the White House and conferred today with Secretary Lansing briefly. He returned to New York.

ROBBERS CAPTURED

Juarez, Dec. 13.—Foreigners arriving at the border declared that Robbers' rebels had captured a pueblo one hundred miles south of Mexico City. Another attack on Chihuahua City is feared.

APPOINTS CABINET

Paris, Dec. 13.—It is announced that Premier Briand has appointed Gen. Joffre counselor to the new war cabinet. The personnel is Briand, foreign office; Ribot, finance; Lyantey, war; Lacaso, marine; Thomas, munitions.

J. J. GRAHAM TO BE BURIED IN PORTLAND TOMORROW

Word received from Portland last evening was that the burial of J. J. Graham will be in Portland instead of at Albany, as was reported earlier in the day. Mr. Graham was older than was thought. He was born April 25, 1843 in Tyrone county, Ireland. He was a member in good standing of the Albany lodge of A. O. U. W., keeping his membership for many years. It is learned that his death was sudden. He was found in his bed about 9 o'clock, dead, dying from heart trouble or apoplexy. Mr. Graham was a relative of J. A. Shaw, of this city.

ALLIES PEACE TERMS OUTLINED

Must Evacuate Belgium, Northern France, Poland Serbia and Roumania.

MUST MAKE FULL INDEMNITY FOR DEVASTATIONS

Cede Constantinople Straits to Russia and Punish for Atrocities.

By Wilbur S. Forrest, United Press Staff Correspondent.

London, Dec. 13.—The United Press this afternoon ascertained from various sources that the allies' peace terms, although unofficial, the information is believed to represent the concessions that Germany must make to obtain peace. The evacuation and restoration of Belgium, Northern France, Poland, Serbia and Roumania. Full indemnity for the devastation—restoration of Alsace-Lorraine to France, cessions of Constantinople Straits to Russia, indemnity, ship for ship, for all destroyed vessels, adequate punishment of officers responsible for German atrocities. All quarters emphasized that the only possible negotiable peace questions with the disposition of captured German colonies and the limitation of Germany's future armament.

EXTRA GOOD BILL AT THE GLOBE TONIGHT

If you will take the movie editor's word for it you will go to the Globe tonight and see the best and biggest photoplay bill for the money that has been presented here for a long time. To begin with, Dustin Farnum's name on a feature picture is alone enough to draw a crowd. Tonight he will be seen in another of the great characters which have made history, "Davy Crockett." In this Pallas-Paramount feature Farnum is at his best.

How inspiring the story of the knight Lochinvar inspires him to knowledge, then to a remarkable success, and finally to duplicate Lochinvar's own heroic rescue of his fiancée from a troth with a despised suitor, indicates how closely the Pallas Pictures version follows the story. This is five reels.

And then, ye gods of laughter, comes Charlie Chaplin, Charlie of the wobble feet and funny actions and facial expressions that would jar a laugh loose from the most sordid dyspeptic, will be here in his two reel scream, "The Pawn Shop." With him are the other stars, Edna Purviance and the others who have helped to make the \$1,000,000 Mutual-Chaplin pictures a success. The way Charlie juggles the sawshop balls and gets mixed up with ladders, etc., absolutely makes a laugh escape a necessity.

The Yale-Harvard football game is shown, pictures of the 80,000 wildly cheering mob of partisans of the crimson and the blue being pictured. Play after play, where the blue players crashed into the crimson line, are presented, and then the stand on the two-yard line, where Yale tried three times without gain, to finally go over through guard and tackle on the fourth down for the winning score of the game. Several other interesting events are shown, including pretty fashion pictures for the ladies.

Another little feature worthy of note is the Red Lion edition showing pretty little Mary Miles Minter. Mutual's youngest film star, in a number of informal scenes with her director James Kirkwood. More is shown in a backyard farm, and gives instructions on how to manage a canoe. It is some bill all the way through.

CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY

Houston, Dec. 13.—The government charged R. Mier, a Mexican, with conspiring to violate American neutrality. Ten thousand rounds of rifle ammunition were seized at Galveston. Mier's father was war minister under Porfirio Diaz.

DEATH OF ONE OF OREGON'S OLDEST TWINS

J. A. Haines, of Monmouth, died at his home in that city Monday, at the age of 88 years. He was one of the oldest twins in Oregon. His brother, W. W. Haines, resides at Eugene, and owns a farm in this county, near Brownsville. For a number of years they have attracted attention because of both being alive at an advanced age. The resemblance between the men has been striking, they often being mistaken for each other.

WENT TO PORTLAND

Charles P. Ohling left on the early morning train for Portland where he will attend to business matters connected with the Albany Commercial Club.

LEFT FOR MISSOURI

Mrs. E. F. Peterson left yesterday for Kansas City, Mo., where she will visit for a few weeks.

KILLED COVOTES

W. D. Bennett, of Lebanon, today brought two covote skins to town and collected \$3 bounty on them.

CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING MATCH MAY BE HERE

Battle For Coast Honors Between Johnson and Lurick Being Arranged.

Albany may be the scene of a championship wrestling match in the near future. After I. A. Johnson, the strong man who appeared at the Globe last night, succeeded in throwing Ben Borden, Pacific Coast champion at Oregon City Monday night, he was approached with a challenge yesterday by Geo. Lurick, said to be champion wrestler of Russia. Lurick arrived in Portland a couple of days ago and got busy the first thing when he heard of Johnson's success.

Lurick stands five feet 11 inches tall and weighs 225 pounds in the ring. He is known to be a moose of a wrestler and the match in this city would be a big drawing card. Manager Conrad Meyer, of the Globe, is trying to arrange for the bout, and it may take place at the local theatre within the next week or ten days.

Johnson is anxious to meet Lurick. He has been engaged to instruct the wrestling classes at O. A. C. on some new holds during the coming week, and he states that he will do his training at the college city. Instruction in holds will also be given to anyone who wants to learn.

The outcome of the arrangements of the match will be watched with interest.

MEN ARRESTED RECENTLY WORKING GAME IN ALBANY

(Eugene Register) J. M. Devers, district attorney, yesterday received word of the arrest in California of two young men representing that they were working for scholarships in a college by taking subscriptions for technical magazines published for physicians and lawyers. It was charged that they operated a swindling game and they were sentenced to serve 180 days in jail each.

The young men were working here under the names of Sanford and Little, but were arrested in California under the names of Cook and Carter. They carried credentials which they claimed authorized them to solicit for these magazines, but the publishers state that they were fictitious.

BOAT LOST

(By United Press) Ottawa, Dec. 13.—The chief censor reported that the minister of the naval service announces that he feared the Canadian torpedo boat Griz, Lieutenant Walter Wingate, is lost off Nova Scotia with all hands. Fifty of the sailors are British Columbians.

ENORMOUS LOSSES

(By United Press) London, Dec. 13.—It is announced that Germany's total losses at the end of November were 3,921,859, which includes 945,027 dead. The figures are based on official casualty lists.

WILL ANSWER HOLLWEG

(By United Press) London, Dec. 13.—The United Press is reliably informed that Lloyd-George is preparing to answer Chancellor Hollweg, when he announces the government's policy in the Commons Tuesday.

THE SOLIS CASE

Washington, Dec. 13.—The State Department made strong representations regarding the Carranza government regarding the arrest of Ricardo Solis, an American citizen. Solis was arrested at Matamoros and taken to Victoria for trial. Departmental investigation established that Solis is of American citizenship and that he is held without specific charge.

CHAUNTAQUA ELECTED OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

Prof. Lee Again Heads List With Efficient Board of Directors.

Meeting at the Commercial club rooms last night, the stockholders of the Albany Chautauqua Association, with a majority of the stock represented, began business for the annual Chautauqua Assembly at this city next July, with splendid prospects of another successful assembly.

The financial reports showed the Association in good shape, with \$30 or \$40 on hand. Seven directors were elected as follows: Prof. W. H. Lee, Dr. H. M. Ellis, J. A. Howard, L. E. Hamilton, F. M. French, A. M. Hammer and W. A. Barrett.

These met upon the adjournment of the stockholders and reelected Dr. Lee president, appreciating his splendid work for the Association the past year; Dr. H. M. Ellis vice president, C. H. Stewart secretary and J. C. Irvine treasurer. The directors will appoint seven chairmen of the different committees, who will appoint their own associates. The seven directors, officers and chairmen, 16 in all, will form the executive board.

Proving a fine thing for the city, every effort will be made to secure a program the coming year which shall keep up the high-class reputation of the Albany assembly.

ALBANY MAN RECEIVES FOUR ANIMALS FROM MAINE

S. R. Willis Buys Pairs of Fishers and Martens Paying \$250.

The Democrat recently in its account of the travels of Claire Dawson mentioned some high prices paid for rare furs, such as the black fox, silver fox and other animals. Right in Albany we have some fur animal worthy of making one sit up and take notice. They were received this week by Rocky Willis, at his place near the Baptist church, where they are being very carefully attended to on their arrival clear across the continent, from near the surf-beaten shore of Maine to the Hub City of the coast.

They were shipped from Topsham, Maine by express and came in safety—a pair of Fishers, which cost \$150, and a pair of Martens, costing \$100. Two hundred and fifty dollars for four animals shows that the popular engineer is blooded. These are fine animals, and will be used to develop their species here.

Mr. Willis says he would be glad to give \$1500 for a pair of black foxes or even one of them. As high as \$40,000 has been paid for the black foxes of the Arctic region.

With high prices and a good demand for valuable furs prevailing Mr. Willis is working up an industry here that should be of considerable importance in the future.

SENDERS IN PORTLAND

M. Senders went to Portland last night on a short business trip.

Mrs. Tebault Here—Mrs. Clarence W. Tebault Jr., who was Miss Ruth Eddy before her marriage in this city last February, arrived in the city this morning and is the guest of Miss Greta Fortmiller. She is on her way to Roseburg to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Eddy. Mr. Tebault is managing editor of the Puyallup (Wash.) Valley Tribune.

BAZAAR A SUCCESS

The Presbyterian bazaar and dinner yesterday were a decided success. There was a large attendance, and a fine sale of things of different kinds. The total net receipts will be nearly \$150.

RECENT BANK-TELEPHONE CASE IS REVIEWED

Speaking of the Albany Bank-Telephone case, the Telegram says: According to Chairman F. J. Miller, of the commission, who is in Portland today, the commission decided that inasmuch as the Albany bank had installed an intercommunicating telephone exchange as a private enterprise the telephone companies could not be compelled by law to provide for physical interchange of traffic. The law contemplates that public convenience and necessity must be shown before relief in such a case as this shall be granted, and since no such condition appeared in the bank's application for an order to compel interchange of telephone traffic outside the bank the complaint was dismissed, the commissioner said.

THE ROUMANIANS AGAIN RETREAT

Attempted Stand on Yalomita; Lost Four Thousand Men.

RUSSIANS REPULSED BY THE AUSTRIANS

In France a Few Clashes Reported, But Generally Quiet.

(By United Press) Berlin, via Sayville, Dec. 13.—The press bureau announced that German sea forces in Flanders entered Soofden the night of December 9. They halted the Dutch steamer Calcedonia and the Brazilian steamer Rio Parda. They carried contraband en route to England.

It is announced that the Roumanians resumed the retreat. They attempted a stand on the flooded Yalomita River. The Germans captured four thousand men. There was a successful patrol engagement in the Carpathians. The Austrians repulsed the Russians in Transylvania. Artillery fighting on the Somme and Meuse sectors is reported. Last night patrols clashed on the western front, which is otherwise quiet.

Unique Meeting—At a meeting of the Albany Ministerial Association it was decided to make the Sunday before Christmas—Dec. 24—a "go-to-church Sunday" for families. The people are asked to bring all the members of their families and sit in groups. Big and little, old and young are urged to be present.

Musical Comedy Coming—Manager Conrad Meyer announces a musical comedy bill at the Globe for next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Wickham's Merrymakers will be here featuring ten pretty dancing maids and five principals. Billy Rafferty, the principal comedian, and Billy Kent are from the Orpheum circuit. Clarence Grant, Doretta Cordero, the sonnette, and Frances Kennedy, leading lady, are clever people, and the show is said to be one of the best little companies on the road.

To Portland—A C. Schmitt went to Portland yesterday to attend the good roads convention today. Mr. Schmitt is taking an active part in working up a greater interest in Linn county roads along business lines.

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