

PEACE BELIEVED IMPOSSIBLE THIS YEAR BY FRENCH STATE OFFICIALS

German Delegation Decides to Remain and Handle Latest Allied Note After Decision to go to Berlin.

CHANGE MIND

French Officials Base Opinion on Statement of German Chief of Delegation, But Plans may be Altered.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—By the Associated Press.—The German delegation has decided not to return to Berlin to consult with the government over the terms of the allied reply to the last German note, the Foreign office announced.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—Exchange of ratifications of the German Peace Treaty before the end of the year are considered in French official circles as impossible. This is the opinion formed today when the head of the German delegation here announced that it would be obliged to return to Berlin and consult with the government on the latest allied communication.

Admiral Sims Declines Naval Decoration

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Copies of a letter written by Admiral Sims to secretary Daniels declining a decoration awarded him for his services as commander in chief of the American Naval forces abroad have been received by a number of naval officers here.

Reds to be Handled With Care on Voyage

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—By A. P.—An explanation of the deportation of the 249 radical Russians on the transport Buford has been cabled by the state department today "to various foreign countries." The message said that precautions had been taken "to request for them safe conduct and humane treatment at the hands of the authorities under whose jurisdiction they pass enroute to Soviet Russia.

NEW CLASSIFIED

WANTED—Two boys with bicycles to deliver Albany Democrat in the city.

FOR SALE—One good Grade Cow, fresh soon, and one registered Poland China Sow. Fred Primrose, Goltra Station. 22d28\*

FOR SALE—House and lot at 917 E. 9th St., 2 bedrooms, living room, dining room, kitchen, pantry, electric lights, city water, chicken house, fruit and berries of all kinds. Cement walks in and paid for. Price \$1200, \$600 down, balance 3 years at 6 per cent. Beam Land Co., 133 Lyon St. 23d24

LOST—Yesterday afternoon, near the Post Office a purse containing a \$5 bill and small amount of silver. Finder please return to Democrat office, or phone Mrs. R. A. Irwin 716-R. 25d24

FOUND—A lady's black velvet coat and lap robe, which was placed in wrong car. Call Jefferson 1 18

FOR SALE—First class apple than and Baldwin. Inquire Struchmerer, 213 Baker St. 760-L.

U. P. Social The United Presbyterian Sunday school will hold their Christmas entertainment at 7:30 prompt, Wednesday evening. The Cantata entitled "The Lord is Come" will be rendered by the pupils of the Sunday school. Admission free.

ALBANY LEGION TO PLAY CORVALLIS

Basket Ball Game to Take Place at Windy City This Evening

The American Legion basket ball team is to go to Corvallis this evening to play the Corvallis Legion team. The team has not had the opportunity to drill as much as intended the last few days but spent a brief time in preparing to meet the opposition and will no doubt give the brethren of the college city a run for their money.

Manager Ray Eastburn has engaged a number of games following the Christmas season and when the boys get into the harness properly will not be found wanting in interesting the best of them when it comes to the real thing of playing an interesting game.

The lineup for tonight will be Willard, center; R. Bilyeu, and Miller, guards; Moore and Kuck, forwards; Eugene Shea will referee the contest.

German Art Statue

BERLIN.—Burglars have stolen six paintings, valued at 100,000 marks, from the picture gallery of the Palace of Sans Souci, according to the Abend.

LINN COUNTY HAS STATE EXHIBIT

Fine Display of Fruits, Etc. on Exhibition at State C. of C. Rooms

The Linn county court has now on display in Portland where hundreds of tourists and home seekers many view it, a fine display of grains, grasses, fruits, vegetables and other products of the county. Mrs. Winnie Braden State Exhibit Agent, in speaking of the action of the court in maintaining a permanent exhibit in Portland says:

"The Linn county exhibit is now in stalled and is a credit to your county. On account of the limited wall space I found it necessary to group Linn with Lane County. Your interests are so very similar and Lane county's exhibit was strong where yours was weak and vice versa. Lane has a wonderful display sheaf grains and grasses while you have a splendid exhibit of fruits and vegetables and the two together make one of the finest displays in the State Exhibit.

"I want to congratulate you upon the manner in which Mr. Gilkey carried out his part of the agreement. He selected the specimens with care and they all arrived in good condition. The exhibit includes sheaf and threshed grains and grasses, corn-three varieties, potatoes, onions, pumpkins, mint, dried fruits and about fifteen bottles of preserved fruits and vegetables. Mr. Gilkey has promised to secure an exhibit of wool next shearing time and I feel that your mills should be urged to send a wool and lumber exhibit.

"As you know it will be necessary to supply some fresh materials each year in order to keep your exhibit attractive and I would suggest that you appoint some reliable person to secure a representative display for the State Fair and to arrange for the choicest specimens from this exhibit to be turned over to the State exhibit at the close of the State Fair.

"I suggest doing this now for the reason that many of our valuable forage grasses come in the early spring and whoever is to do this work should be able to locate them and secure an exhibit. Place the responsibility on one person then you can be assured of it being given proper attention."

"The county court last fall appointed Mr. Gilkey, of Gilkey station to select from Linn county fair exhibit some of the best material to represent this county as Portland in a permanent exhibit which will be replenished each year, if the plans of the state organization materializes.

W. B. Parker who has been a superintendent in the Veal chair factory for the last three years has gone to Portland where he has accepted a position with the Freeland Manufacturing company which is one of the largest institutions of its kind in the state. Mr. Parker has many friends here who regret to have him leave our city.

BOLSHEVIKI PLAN GREAT SPRING OFFENSIVE AGAINST POLAND, SAY GENEVA DISPATCH; CHINESE TO AID

GENEVA, Dec. 23.—By Associated Press.—Preparations for a great Bolshevik offensive against Poland next spring is planned by Leon Trotsky, Soviet War Minister, according to a Warsaw dispatch received by the Ukrainian news bureau here.

Chinese troops who are being recruited at the rate of 8,000 daily will aid in the campaign, it is said.

Reds Again Claim Victory LONDON, Dec. 23.—The troops of

general Petlura, Anti-Bolshevik commander in the Ukraine, have been surrounded by Soviet forces in Kiev, province, according to wireless information from Moscow.

Turkish Leader Slain ROME, Dec. 23.—Mustapha Kemal, leader of Turkish insurgents in Anatolia and head of the Turkish Nationalist Government in Asia Minor, has been assassinated, according to a dispatch to the Tempo.

HENRY KEENEY IS DECLARED GUILTY

Alleged Deer Slayer Fined \$200 by Judge Olliver; to Appeal Case

Henry Keeney, of Sweet Home, was tried today before Justice of the Peace Victor Olliver and fined \$200 and costs on the charge of unlawfully killing deer. Keeney did not offer testimony but through his attorneys gave notice of appeal to the circuit court.

His brother, Igen Keeney, was arrested last week at Fall City and pleaded guilty in Judge Olliver's court Saturday afternoon. Sentence was not pronounced, however, Judge Olliver preferring to wait until after the trial of the brother lest his decision would have something to do with the latter case.

SCHOOL ELECTION LOOKING BETTER

More Interest Being Shown in Today's Event; Polls Open Until 7

With 31 votes cast during the first 90 minutes that the polls were open this afternoon gives the school election a different aspect from the late catastrophe of the November trials. Patrons of the schools trekked into the city superintendent's office of the high school building where the vote is being taken and cast their ballots, on the budget question.

From the character of people voting during the first two hours it would appear that the request of the school board for the levy of the amount of money asked for the coming year would be granted. The voters were mostly people with children in school and those having an interest in the welfare of the future citizens of the county.

"It is hardly thought that any special effort will be made by the reactionaries to repeat the performance of the last election, their usual method being to go quietly to the polls and cast their ballots against progressive measures while those most vitally interested are cock-sure of the results and remain away.

The polls will be open until 7 p.m.

Judge Bingham To Preside Over Court Tomorrow

Judge George G. Bingham, of Salem will arrive in Albany at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning to hold court in Department No. 2 of the Circuit Court for the last time before the holidays, according to word received this morning by Miss Leila Mitchell, bailiff of the court. Judge Bingham will take up the case of Elitha M. Turner against the Jones heirs, children of R. D. M. Jones, in which the plaintiff seeks to gain possession of property in this city alleged to have been given her by the aged doctor. Any other matters brought before the attention of the court will be given consideration.

HOWAT IS OUT OF JAIL

3,000 Mine Workers in 17 Mines Still Out in Kansas

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23.—By Associated Press.—Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas district of the United Mineworkers, was released today. Howat agreed to join the international officers in sending telegrams to Kansas in an endeavor to end the coal strikes.

17 Mines Idle Pittsburg, Kan., Dec. 23.—Seventeen Kansas coal mines where approximately 3000 miners are employed are idle today. The miners struck in protest against the action of Federal Judge Anderson, of Indianapolis yesterday in sending Alexander Howat to jail.

MISS LONESOME IS DISCOVERED

But not By Gossip Clubs; Young Women Envy Way of Lass

The letter of "Miss Lonesome", published in the Democrat last evening has caused no end of excitement among the fair sex of this city, and there is a noticeable stir in the male element of Linn County over the inference in the letter that the young men in this part of the country are not all that they should be for perfect husbands.

At a meeting of a girls club last evening the matter was discussed and every member is just sure that she knows who the young lady is who lives on Route Five and who wants a husband. "There is only one school teacher living on route five and that must be she", they aver.

No, no, sisters, it is not she. The editor of the Democrat has the young woman's name and will not violate the confidence, but if any marriageable young man in the neighborhood of 40 years of age wants to get in touch with her we will take the matter up with her in private by mail, of course. In the meantime, the young ladies have another guess coming.

C. M. Hartsock Returns With Bride to Visit

C. M. Hartsock, former Albany boy who is now a consulting engineer with offices in Hutchinson, Kansas, arrived here last evening to spend Christmas at the home of his father, E. Hartsock, of North Albany. Mr. Hartsock did not come alone, however, for with him is his bride, he having been married last week to a prominent young lady of Hutchinson. They are taking their wedding trip and at the same time visiting Mr. Hartsock's home on Christmas.

Mr. Hartsock is well known in Linn and Benton counties, having been brought up in this vicinity and attended college at O. A. C. He is a brother of T. S. and R. K. Hartsock, of this city.

ALBANY CHURCHES TO HOLD SERVICES

Attractive Christmas Trees Planned for U. P. and Baptist Churches

An interesting Christmas program will be given tomorrow evening at the United Presbyterian church. A musical entertainment entitled "The Lord is Come", a Christmas service based on the favorite classics, with Christmas carols, recitations, etc., will be given by the Sunday School, pupils of the church. The entertainment is under the direction of J. C. Irvine.

The church is being decorated in a manner to suit the occasion and the music will be in harmony with the spirit of the season.

There will be a big, bright Christmas tree loaded with candy for the Sunday school children. The public is invited and there will be no admission.

Baptists to Entertain

The Baptist Sunday school will hold its big informal Christmas celebration in the basement of the Church 7:30 to 9:30 Wednesday evening (Christmas eve) short exercises then an informal good time with Santa Claus around the Christmas tree.

Start promptly 7:30 p.m., close promptly 9:30 p.m.

\$4513 RECEIVED FOR GAME TAGS

County Clerk Makes Annual Report on Fish and Game Licenses

County clerk R. M. Russell's annual report for this year shows a total receipts for hunting and fishing licenses issued in the county to be \$4513.25. Last year the total was \$3670.75, making a gain of approximately \$900 for 1919. The hunters licenses for the year were \$2209.50 and the fishing licenses totaled \$2012. For certificates reissued at a fee of twenty-five cents, \$5.71 and \$10 re-issued for one license issued to a non resident.

Under the law the county is to retain five percent of this money which goes to the general fund of the county and the balance is turned over to the fund of the state to pay the expense of enforcing the game laws of the state.

London Papers Favorable to Irish Scheme

LONDON, Dec. 23.—By A. P.—Aside from one or two irreconcilable Anti-home rule journals, London newspapers this morning gave on the whole a favorable reception to the government's new scheme for Irish self government. None, however, expressed genuine expectations of the plans success.

U. of O. Begins Practise Behind Barred Gates

PASADENA, Dec. 23.—By A. P.—Secret practise was started by the University of Oregon here today in preparation for their game with Harvard University here January 1. The plays are kept secret, even from many Oregonians. The program calls for two practise periods daily.

The west vs. the east football classic is attracting fully as much interest as a world's series base ball game or a championship prize fight. People have stood in line for 40 hours waiting for tickets to be placed on sale today and it is believed that the 28,000 seats will not be sufficient to hold the immense crowd that will throng the field.

Dodge Cars Arrive

The Rawlston Motor Co., this morning received a car load of Dodge Bros. motor cars and a car load of Valie Sixes. Rolla Rawlston last week drove up from Portland in a new Mitchell Six, which completes the line handled by this agency.

TRAIL OF BLOOD AND ROBBERY IS LEFT BY BANDIT IN WASHINGTON

One Man Killed, One Injured by Fast-Moving Robber who Appears Three Times in Night.

DEPT. STORE ROBBED

Six Clerks Held up and Store is Robbed of \$1,500; Two Men Appear at Tacoma and Puyallup.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 23.—by Associated Press.—The police today watched the entrances to the city for bandits who, they believed, is headed this way after leaving behind a trail of murder and robbery at Tacoma, Olympia, and Puyallup last night.

The bandit robbed a department store of \$1,500 in Olympia last night after holding up six clerks. In the chase which followed he shot and killed E. H. Schultz, a citizen. It is believed that he later went to Tacoma where he later held up a drug store. Two men are thought to be the same later fired on the passengers of the Tacoma-Puyallup automobiles, wounding a passenger.

Two hours later two men engaged in a pistol duel with Puyallup officers.

Mother of Dead Woman Accuses Joseph Virgo

LAWTON, Mich., Dec. 23.—By A. P. A signed statement accusing Joseph Virgo with performing an illegal operation upon Maud Tabor has been made by Mrs. Sarah Tabor, 80 year-old mother of the woman whose body was found in a trunk in the basement of her home here, Assistant Prosecutor announced today.

Case Against Kaiser Wilhelm Is Drawn Today

LONDON, Dec. 23.—A. P.—Law officers of the Crown held consultation with the French and Belgian law officers today with regard to the former German Emperor. It is reported that the conferees made out a case against the former German ruler and framed an indictment.

London Is Jazz Crazy

LONDON, Jazz band proprietors are somewhat gloomy just now fearing that the dancing boom may not last much longer. One proprietor says that the men he sends out nightly return with very gloomy reports. The attendance is not so good as recently in the suburbs, but in the West end proprietors of large dancing halls say that the craze will last for at least five years.

Sanderson Bridge Items

Sandersons Bridge, Dec. 23.—The days are getting longer in this country.

We wish all the readers of the Democrat a very Merry Christmas and all wishes a Happy New Year.

The rock crusher started up again after about two weeks vacation.

Mrs. Walter Smith is said to be improving. She underwent a critical operation before returning from Montana.

Some of the boys in the neighborhood have stopped smoking as a result of the revival meeting at the Methodist Church.

Many of the Children and their parents enjoyed the xmas tree at Crabtree which was given by 5, 6, 7, and 8 grades. Mrs. Heyman is the teacher. A very nice program was rendered and a real Santa Claus was present who brought apples, nuts and candy.

"Pin-money" formed a customary New Year's gift for ladies in Tidor times, when the finest pins were of gold, silver, inlaid with metals, ivory and rare woods.