

Bok Peace Plan Winner Chosen

Half of \$100,000 Prize Awarded; Remainder Given if People's Vote Favors Adoption.

PROPOSES U. S. ENTER WORLD COURT

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Of the 22,165 plans submitted in competition for the American Peace Award, No. 1469 has been chosen winner by the jury.

The plan, which proposes that the United States enter the permanent court of international justice, and co-operate with the league of nations, is submitted to a vote of the American people.

The award brought forth 22,165 plans. Since many of them were the composite work of organizations, universities, etc., a single plan often represented the views of hundreds or thousands of individuals.

The jury had therefore before it an index of the true feeling and judgment of hundreds of thousands of American citizens. The plans came from every group in American life.

Some were obviously from life-long students of history and international law. Some were from persons who have themselves seen and felt the horror of war and the cessation of the manufacture of munitions of war.

However unlike, they almost all express or imply the same conviction: That this is the time for the nations of the earth to admit frankly that war is a crime and thus withdraw the legal and moral sanction long permitted to it as a method of settling international disputes.

Some of the plans labor with the problem of changing the hearts of men and disposing them toward peace and good will; some labor to find a practicable means of dealing with the economic causes of war; some labor with adjusting racial animosities, with producing a finer conception of nationalism, etc., etc.

Through the plans as a whole run these dominant currents: That if war is honestly to be prevented, there must be a right-about-face on the part of the nations in their attitude toward war.

That if war is honestly to be prevented, there must be some machinery of cooperation, if the will to cooperate is to be made effective; that mutual counsel among the nations is the real hope for bringing about the disavowal of war by the open avowal of its real causes and open discussion of them.

Finally, that there must be some means of defining, recording, interpreting and developing the law of nations.

The Jury of Award unanimously selected the plan summarized below as the one which most closely reflected several of these currents.

The Honorable Elihu Root, chairman of the Jury of Award, then prepared the following forward-looking statement indicating that the mutual counsel and cooperation among the nations provided in the selected plan may lead to the realization of a more peaceful and the least important—of the dominant desires of the American people as expressed in the plan:

"It is the unanimous hope of the Jury that the first fruit of some mutual counsel and cooperation among the nations which will result from the adoption of the plan selected will be a general prohibition of the manufacture and sale of all materials of war."

The purpose of the American Peace Award is fulfilled: To reflect in a practicable plan the dominating national sentiment as expressed by the large cross-section of the American public taking part in the Award.

I therefore commend the winning plan as unanimously selected by the Jury of Award, and Mr. Root's statement of the first object to be attained by the counsel and cooperation provided in the plan, to the interest and the widest possible vote of the American people.

EDWARD W. BOK, Chairman of the Jury of Award.

THE QUESTION TO BE VOTED UPON.

The substantial provisions which constitute the plan selected by the Jury of Award, and upon which the vote of the American people is asked, are hereby submitted by the Jury Committee as follows:

I. Enter the Permanent Court.

That the United States adhere to the Permanent Court of International Justice for the reasons and under the conditions stated by Secretary Hughes and President Harding in February, 1923.

II. Cooperate With the League of Nations, Without Full Membership at Present.

That without becoming a member of the League of Nations as at present constituted, the United States Government should extend its present cooperation with the League and propose participation in the work of its Assembly and Council under the following conditions and reservations:

Safeguarding the Monroe Doctrine.

The United States accept the League of Nations as an instrument of mutual counsel, but it will assume no obligation to interfere with political questions of policy or internal administration of any foreign state.

No Military or Economic Force

The only kind of compulsion which nations may freely engage to apply to each other in the name of Justice is that which arises from conference, from moral judgment, from self-preservation, from the maintenance of the independence of the Old World and does not consent to submit its long established legal and moral principles to the recommendation or decision of other powers.

No Obligations Under Versailles Treaty

The United States will accept no responsibilities under the Treaty of Versailles, and any particular case Congress has authorized such action.

League Open to All Nations

The United States Government proposes that Article I of the Covenant be modified and applied, or, if necessary, refrained, so that admission to any self-governing State be within the power that receives the favorable vote of two-thirds of the Assembly.

Development of International Law

As a condition of its participation in the work and councils of the League, the United States asks that the Assembly be authorized to initiate and to formulate new existing rules of international law, to recognize divergent opinions to consider points heretofore inadequately provided for but vital to the maintenance of international justice, and to recommend to the nations the duties of States. The recommendations of the Commission would be presented in the form of a report, to be considered, if not a law-making body.

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THOSE NOISY MINORITIES



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Our seven or eight inches of snow has about disappeared, the festive chips are coming and turning it into water. The streets of Heppner are a glare of ice just now, but the mild weather will soon get rid of that.

CECIL BARNETT DIES

Cecil Barnett, aged 16 years and eight months, a native of Pendleton, died this morning at Walls Walla, his death being due to rheumatism of the heart.

First National Bank Holds Annual Election

The annual election of the board of directors of the First National Bank of Heppner was held in the office of the bank on Tuesday last.

Patron-Teachers Meeting Held Tuesday Afternoon

The Patron Teachers Association held its monthly meeting at the schoolhouse Tuesday at 3:00 p. m.

SELLS CITY PROPERTY.

W. A. Wilcox, who was in the city during the past week from Estacada, disposed of his city property to W. C. Isom.

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AGAIN URGES MEET FOR SPRAY ROAD

Cut-Off Entitled to Government Aid as Post and Forest Road Says Bleakman.

G. A. Bleakman has not rested since his first attempt to arouse interest in a meeting in Heppner to get action started on the Heppner-Spray cut-off. Due time having elapsed for his first shot to take effect, he again writes this paper as follows:

"I am glad to hear that there is going to be something done in the matter of completing the Oregon-Washington highway, but let us not lose sight of the fact that we are still after the Heppner-Spray cut-off. Now then, if we are going to wait until the Oregon-Washington road is completed it is going to be several years before we can even get the Heppner-Spray road on the map."

"From what I can see out the post and forest road people are willing to give this road consideration if we will get the proposed road put on the state highway system map. In order to get on the map we will have to go before the highway commission and show them the merits of the road."

The state of Oregon will get about \$2,000,000 for road work this year, and as Morrow county has never had a cent of federal road money so far, I think we should wake up and make an effort to get some of this government money, as the Heppner-Spray road is a post and forest road and entitled to government aid. As Morrow county and the city of Heppner have put up about \$125,000 to help build this road, I believe the state people will be perfectly willing to help if we point out to them the facts in the matter and the great need for this proposed road. I hope we can get busy and get things going as soon as possible."

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The Morrow County Creamery company is contemplating the erection of a new and commodious building for its business. The structure, according to Manager Cox, will be of concrete and tile, and is to occupy the Cohn lot on the East side of Main street, opposite the postoffice. This lot was recently purchased by the company, and it is the intention to begin the building operations just as soon as all the details are worked out.

CECIL NEWS ITEMS

Miss Georgia Summers and Laurence Harmon, and Bob Lowe and Don Realer left on the local on Tuesday for Portland to resume their studies at their respective schools after having a grand and glorious holiday among their Cecil friends.

The Mayor made a trip to the county seat on Wednesday with his family for the opening of the school term and returned home on Friday accompanied by his brother David who will visit friends for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Stender of Seldomsen were calling in Cecil on Wednesday after seeing their sisters Annie and Flossie Stender on the local bound for their studies at Heppner high school.

Karl Troedson and party of friends from Lone made a short call in Cecil on Sunday after goose hunting for several hours in the Blackfoot district, where they had good sport, killing twelve geese.

John Krebs, who has been doing the sights of Portland for a couple of weeks, returned to the farm on Monday, and is now having a grand parade among the frozen pipes at the Last Camp.

Miss Crystal Roberts who has been spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Geo. Perry at Ewing, returned to her studies at Heppner high school on Wednesday.

Cecil has quite a cover of snow at this time of writing, January 5th, and the coldest day was today, when it registered ten below zero at seven a. m.

Miss Minnie H. Lowe who has been spending her vacation with her parents at Cecil, returned to her studies at Monmouth during the week.

Geo. W. Wilson arrived at Butterfield Flats from Hynd Bros' ranch at Freezout with a large band of sheep which will winter at Cecil.

Walter Peper accompanied Bob Lowe and Don Realer of Portland to Arlington on Saturday where they visited for a few hours.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Henriksen of Strawberry ranch, also J. W. Osborn of Cecil, were calling in Arlington during the past week.

Miss Silvers, teacher of Rhea Sidling school, has opened her school again after spending her vacation at her home in Astoria.

Al Henriksen and son Clifford of the Moore ranch near Heppner made a short call in Cecil while on their way to Arlington.

Mrs. T. W. May of Lone Star ranch accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ellis White of Astoria were calling in Cecil on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Henriksen entertained a large party of friends on New Year's eve at their residence at Ewing.

Mrs. Weltha Combest of Cecil left on the local on Sunday for Portland where she will visit friends for some time.

E. Linsley arrived in Cecil on Wednesday from Salem and will visit his sister, Mrs. J. E. Crabtree for some time.

Lawrence Harman of Walls Walla was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Krebs at the Last Camp.

J. W. Osborn and Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Streeter of Cecil were doing business in Arlington on Thursday.

Miss Thelma Miller of Heppner was the guest of Miss Violet Hynd at Butterfield Flats during the week.

ROAD WORK GOES ON IN SPITE OF WINTER

"The present winter weather has not stopped the progress of the Heppner hill road work," was the enlightening declaration of W. L. McCaleb, Morrow county roadmaster, this week.

"The road crew is now spreading the rock on the new survey at the top of the hill, and two more days will find them ready to move down to the edge of town." Though not completed, the road is open to travel and is in better shape than the old route.

There is considerable blasting yet to be done on the rock cliff on upper Main street, said Mr. McCaleb, but he is keeping in touch with the powder man and will have him on the job just as soon as there is need for him.

"Of course the ground being frozen slows up the work some, but considering everything it is progressing nicely," Mr. McCaleb declares.

When the Heppner hill portion of the Hardman market road is completed, the worst part of the construction work will be done, and the macadam will reach from Heppner to the head of the canyon on Heppner flat. This is all the construction included in the present program for this road. As soon as it is finished the county will go ahead with the quarter-mile of macadam for the city of Heppner, reaching from May street and connecting up with the county road.

Many State Societies Favor Farm Conference

The Oregon State Farmers Union, the state horticultural society, state chamber of commerce, and the agricultural committee of the state bankers association and Portland chamber of commerce have endorsed the agricultural economic conference to be held at the state college Jan. 23 to 25.

The conference marks the first general attempt of the big agricultural, financial and business interests of the state to get together to work for the betterment of the state's fundamental industry—growing and marketing farm products.

"Grow more fruit" or wheat, or meat, or butter, or eggs, or other things up for discussion, was the advice thrust upon the puzzled farmer by non-farming interests in the old days. "Back to the farm" was the companion cry. Both slogans sought to increase farm production regardless of markets and profits.

To have the crops "half sold when planted," because they are what the farmer wants, or are he induced to want, is the proposed way of solving the marketing problem. To help farmers find the facts on which they can direct their farming into the most profitable lines, and then help them finance their operation and market their crops at a profit are conference aims.

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