

TERMINATIONOF WAR DISCUSSED BY CHANCELLOR

"If Enemies Make Peace Proposals Compatible With Germany's Dignity and Safety. We Are Ready to Discuss Them," States Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg.

BERLIN, Dec. 9, by wireless .-"If our enemies make peace proposals compatible with Germany's dignity and safety, then we shall always be ready to discuss them," said the imperial chancellor Rr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, in addressing the reichstag today.

The chancellor made it clear that in his opinion it would be folly for Germany to propose peace, "so long as in the countries of our enemies the guilt and ignorance of statesmen are entangled with confusion of public opinion."

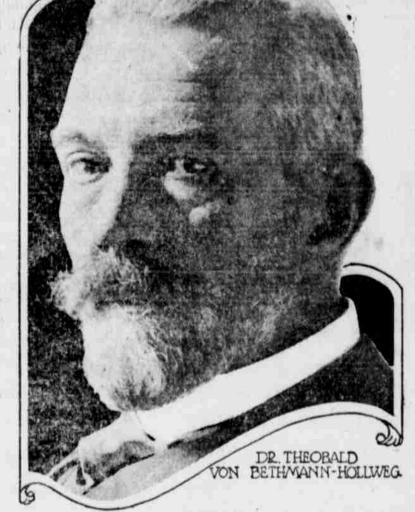
Conscious of her military successes, the chancellor said, Germany declines further responsibility for a further continuance of the war. Germany, he declared, could not be ALLIES TOLD TO on to make further conquests.

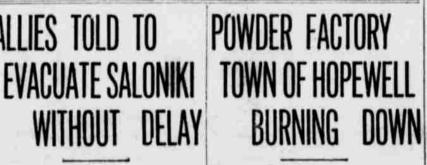
Want Permanent Peace

"The war can be terminated only by a peace which will give the certitude that war will not return," the chancellor declared. "We all agree about that "

He asserted Germany's food supplies were sufficient and that her immense stores of copper were adoquate for many years.

cialistic interpellation:





RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 9 .- Hope-BERLIN, Dec. 9.-The Vossische The address of Dr. Von Bethmann- Zeitang in a leading article on the well, the new Du Pont powder fac- ously in court yesterday on the oc-Hollweg, awalted with extraordinary Associated Press interview with King tory town, near Petersburg, was easion of the argument. interest, was in response to the so- Constantine of Greece, says that the burning at 3 p. m. today. The last When congress disposes of the The Mexican embassy here received port Swedish delegates, and another lear sense of the king's declarations message to come out before wire

GRANT EXCEPT \$2.50 PER ACRE

Judge Wolverton Signs Decree Declaring O. & C. Land Grant Forfeited to Government-Railroad Loses Right to Timber-Up to Congress to Provide Way of Disposal.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 9.-Practically intact, the decree in the Oregon & California land grant case as presented yesterday by Constantine J. Smyth, special assistant to the attorney general, was signed by Judge Charles E. Wolverton of the United States district court, at 2 elock this afternoon. By the terms of the decree th

Southern Pacific will be stripped of every right in the lands of the grant with the exception of \$2.50 an acre. This equity is assured to the railroad company when congress arranges the disposition of the grant, in accordance with a recent decision of the United States supreme court. Land is Forfeited

The court declared the land forfeited as a result of the failure of the grantee to live up to the stipulations of the grant and after recognizing the railroad's equity, referred the disposition of the lands to congress. The grant comprises 2,300,000 acres in southwestern Oregon.

The announcement by the district Mexico. court today that it would sign the

lands the Southern Pacific will get its first information of Mr. Arred. special train will bring Danish dele-

\$2.50 an nere, the excess will be in

Litigation Threatened

the Southern Pacific, yesterday

threatened to appeal on the decree

which Judge Wolverton announced

limitless litigation.

Peter F. Danne, chief counsel for



Bryan and Henry Ford on the dec k of the Oscar II, just before it sail-



WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- Elisco ON BOARD STEAMSHIP OSCAR peace. Arrendondo, General Carranza's con- II, via wireless to Cape Race, N. F., fidential representative in Washing- Dec. 9 .- Tentative plans for the itinton, has been selected to be the next erary of the preliminary procedure of the earnestness and unselfishness of Henry Ford's party of peace advoambassador to the United States from cates were announced today.

At Christiania, Norway, the party Secretary Lansing formally andecree presented by Mr. Smyth is a nounced receipt of advices announc- will remain three days, and Norwegsweeping victory for the government. ing Mr. Arrendondo's appointment, ian delegates will be selected by the By the decree the railroad will lose The new American ambassador to expedient of sending out invitations the right to sell the timber off the Mexico, Secretary Lansing said, would broadcast, as was done in the United land, for which it fought so strenn- be announced later. Henry P. Fletch- States.

er, now ambassador to Chile, is prac. A special train will be dispatched tically certain to go to Mexico City, to Stockholm to recruit and trans-

BRYANASSERTS **VOYAGE FORCES** TALK OF PEACE

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People of Warring Mations Already **Discussing Peace as Result of Sen**timent Created by Auto Maker's Exploit, Declares Commoner-Says Mission Deserves Success.

By WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN. (Copyright, 1915.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.-Pence voyages like that upon which Mr. Ford and his companions have embarked are an indication of a growing desire that something shall be done. The question is not whether Mr. Ford's plan will meet with immediate success-time only can answer that question. The real question is whether it deserves success, and to this question every one who desires peace must answer "Yes."

It can do no harm-it has already PEACE ON EUROPE rope-that is so much gained-and it has exposed to contempt the sordid interests that ridicule all talk of

Inspiration of Ford

Then, too, there is an inspiration in a man of large wealth who is controlled by his heart instead of his pocketbook.

Health and safety to those who sail; they are in search of something more precious than the golden fleece. Success attend them!

No one can do more than guess in regard to the time when pence will come, or as to the means by which it can be hastened.

One phase of the subject has not

'Is the chancellor ready to give information as to the conditions unter into neace negotiations?"

In his reply the chancellor said:

fusion of public opinion, it would be proposals, which would not shorten, Greek territory was granted on the ing the local companies under arms but would prolong the duration of supposition that the fighting was to in their armories, torn from their faces.

Ready for Proposals

to take this fact into account. Theo- operate with. Greece must not suf- his post. posals of peace will not advance us, ment of the entente forces must occur he added, had loaded its office movwill not bring the end nearer.

"If our enemies make peace pro- advance, namely, not to tarry on out, posals compatible with Germany's Greek soil. dignity and safety, then we shall al- "If the entente allies promise_to ways be ready to discuss them. Fully break off their unsuccessful under- Richmond sent a complete fire conscious of our unshaken military taking and evacuate Saloniki without company with apparatus by special pany should be enjoined from the successes we decline responsibility for delay. Greece will render to them train at 3:30 p. m. The appeal to continuance of the misery which now final and valuable proof of its good Richmond (for help gays that the fills Europe and the whole world, will and will assume before the cen- whole town was aftire with the ex-No one can say that we continue the tral powers and Bulgaria the under- ception of the powder plant, which war because we desire to conquer taking that the entente allies will is located outside the town. this or that country as a guarantee." carry out their promise. Greece also State troops were ordered to Hope-

In these words the chancellor, with will insure an unhampered re-em- well late this afternoon. It was reimpassioned force stated the position barking for the expedition. If this ported that rigting had broken out of the German government on the guarantee is rejected Greece will use there. question of peace. His remarks were its army to protect the re-embarkcheered with great enthusiasm. ation.'

British Empire Threatened When Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg

rose to reply to the interpellation SOUTHERN OREGON ist leader, silence fell over the whole house but was soon broken by manifestations of approval. Several times the deputies interrupted him with cheers.

Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg began

(Continued on page seven)



WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.-Practi- railroad grant. Tanza's government. General Car- was settled by several cases which sterdam and forwarded by the Cen- federal district court here today. The program. ranza is at Soltilla and before the the government brought in the '70s, tral News correspondent there. The charges grew out of Salazar's testiand of the month he probably will be The case will now go to the United statement says;

follow rapidly.

is that Greece is determined its ter- communication was internucted said that the lands will be sold for that state department dispatches, which Leaving Scandinavia the party pur- the right of the neutral nations to der which he would be willing to en- ritory shall not, like Chinese terri- the powder plant was not yet af- amount. If they bring more than were forwarded by John W. Belt, poses going direct to The Hague by bring moral pressure to bear upon the tory in the Manchurian war, be made feeted,

a regular theater of hostilities. The Governor Stnart, in respense to the hands of congress for disposal, enemies the guilt and ignorance of paper makes the following deductions urgent requests for troops to control statesmen are entangled with con- in substance from the statement: tie, ordered the Petersburg infantry "King Constantine announced to company at once to the scene and a folly for Germany to make peace the allies that permission to cross riot call was issued in Richmond cali-

the war. First, the masks must be he done in Serbia. It is the fault of The first companies assembled will the entente allies and not of Greece be rushed over by special trains.

sent from Petersburg.

report.

ton affects the Oregon & California the Turks on Aden, in southern

spread rapidly.

COMPANY APPEALS

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 9 .- The

Southern Oregon company appealed

here today from the decision of the

United States district court embod-

ied in a decree signed Tuesday by

Judge Charles E. Wolverton. The de-

ree affects the 96,000 acres of the

loos Bay wagon road grant in al-

nost identically the same way that

the decree signed by Judge Wolver-

court;

that the allies have come too late, At 3:40 the Western Union telethe end," said Judge Wolverton to-"At present they speak of a war and with insufficient forces, and graph operator wired "goodbye," day when he came to assess the costs of annihilation against us. We have find no intact Serbian-army to co- that the fire was driving him from against the Southern Pacific. He took this point of view throughout. retically arguments for peace or pro- fer by reason of this. The retire- The Norfolk & Western railroad, He also held that the use of the word

It was reported that a strange man

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 9.-Four ho-

tels are reported burning, in addi-

LONDON, Dec. 9. - An advance of

TURK FORCES REACH

jure advancing on Aden."

"lands" in the supreme court decisunder the same conditions as their ables upon a train which was pulling ion included the timber and minerals on them. Fire-fighting apparatus has been

"The court was dealing with landin a general and larger sense," he said. "When it said the railroad comsale of the lands it meant it should also be enjoined from the sale of the timber upon them."

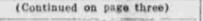
Decision Epitomized

Epitomized, Judge Wolverton' view of the supreme court's decision is this:

The government is incorrect in its original contention that the land hould be forfeited because the prohad been arrested last night at the visos under which the land was plant. Officials of the Du Pont Powder company declined to discuss the granted to the Oregon & California Railroad company, the original gran-

> tee, were never fulfilled. The lands cannot be forfeited because the provisos are "covenants," and not "conditions subsequent." The covenants

tion to several other buildings. A however, are enforcible by injune brisk wind is causing the flames to tion. Because the government'



ient Wilson and Representative Mann, republican leader of the house

SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 9. Gens a clearer idea of the defense plan. Arabia, near the entrance to the Red cally all the principal powers of the The company asserts in its appeal sea, through which the Sacz canal eral Jose Ynez Salazar, a former Mr. Mann was assured, it was said world, with the exception of Japan, that the case is different from the passes, is announced in a Turkish Haerta general, tried on charges of at the white house, that there was no now have recognized General Car- Oregon & California case in that it official statement as received in Am- perjury, was acquitted by a jury in partisanship in the administration's

mony at habeas corpus proceedings the president that the army and navy of tonight. On December 7 the troops This will be his first speech on busiin Mexico Ciry. It is believed that States circuit court of appeals, as it "Hetween Mahadi and Aden sue- following his entrance into American should be strengthened, but reserved were withdrawn to a new line and on new line and on new line and on new line and on the strengthened of the other diplometer appointments will had been heard only in the district eccentric fighting occurred. The Turks territory after the battle of Osinago, the right to appear certain items in December 8 they retired to another prosperity assumed general propornorthern Mexico, in 1914. the plans outlined.

\$2.50 an acre. This does not mean ondon's appointment through the gates from Copenhagen. who is representing the department rail, providing Mr. Ford can obtain belligerents to state the terms upon with General Carranza. The new am- permission to pass through Germany, which peace can be restored. The bassador probably will receive and He will agree to a non-stop trip, if Hague convention expressly declares present his credentials about the the Germans will only grant permis- that an offer of mediation shall not same time that the appointment of sion to traverse the country.

Mexico is announced.

this morning that he will sign. He said this would tie up the case in between the two governments which tempted, " "The government has prevailed in

General Huerta.

Henry Lane Wilson two years ago much delay, the Oscar II was makand the subsequent controversy with

CASSELTON BANK **BROKEN FROM INSIDE**

tisnnship involved.

line.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- Comptroller Williams issued a statement today declaring that the closed First was broken from the inside," "The defalcation of its president

and cashier," said the comptroller's statement, "exceeded its total capital and surplus."

The case, he said, was an argu- bill and both measures will be subment in favor of his proposal to re- mitted informally to the committees quire national bank officers to give

surety honds. The bank had a capital of \$50,000.

The president and cashier are under arrest.

PRESIDENT DISCUSSES ARMY WITH MANN

the new American ambassador to At The Hague, Dutch, Spanish and the contrary, it is specifically en-

Swiss members are expected to join couraged on the ground that human-The appointment of ambassadors the party, and with their arrival per- ity, as a whole, is interested in stopwill restore full diplomatic relations manent organization will be at- ping a war,

were interrupted with the recall of After a stormy start which caused ing good progress today, though she

reaching Christiania.

NEW ARMY BILLS PRESENTED SENATE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- The ad- country are using the war as an arministration plan for a continental gument in favor of increased expenarmy of 400,000 men was embodied ditures on preparedness. Why should National bank of Casselton, N. B. today formally in a bill upon which the nations at war obstruct the high-President Wilson, Secretary Garrison | ways of the world, interfere with neu-

and the house military committee tral trade and endanger the lives of chairman have agreed. Chairman Chamberlain of the sen- nations suffer, and those who suffer

ate military committee has drafted a bave a right to complain.

and later introduced as committee measures, that there may be no par

BALKANS RETREAT

Senator Chamberlain's bill does not contain the continental army feature. The regular army would consist of 64 regiments of infantry instead of 31 as at present; 10 regiments of cavalry instead of 15; 20 regiments of field artillery instead of six, and one coast artillery. It proposes, however, a reserve of officers and men. The term of enlistment would be six years, three with the

WASHINGTON. Dec. 9. Presi- eolors and three with the reserve.

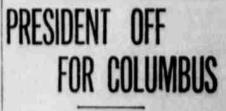
BRITISH FORCES IN onferred today on preparedness, the president expecting that as a result republican representatives will have

been sufficiently considered, namely, be regarded as an unfriendly act. On **Rights of Neutrals**

But the right of the neutral nations to urge peace rests on the ground of will probably be four days late in material interests as well as on the ground of humanity. They are bearing burdens of taxation which would not be necessary but for the war: domestic questions are being subordinated to issues raised by the war;; every neutral nation is in danger of being dragged into the war and some are almost forced into it.

In each nation the financial vultures who live on the woes of their

those who travel? All the neutral Suggests Mediation The president proposed mediation (Continued on Last Page.)



WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .--- President Wilson will leave Washington tonight for Columbus, O., where he will make two addresses tomorrow-one before the chamber of commerce at noon, the other at night before the commission on church and country life of the federal council of the Churches of Christ in America. He will reach Washington Saturday afternoon on his return.

In his chamber of commerce ad-LONDON, Dec. B .- Two successive dress, the president expects to disretirements by the British forces in cuss in more detail business matters The republican leader agreed with the Balkans was officially announce, touched in his address to congress, tions.

