

**'ROMANCE OF TARZAN', A BIG FEATURE AT PAGE THEATRE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY**



**MANUFACTURERS IN BELGIUM DISGUSTED AT PEACE DELAY**

LIEGE, April 17.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Along the routes from devastated Louvain to this desolate city tall smokeless chimneys line the formerly prosperous valley of the Meuse. Idle coal mines, huge plants which belched fire and sizzled with the gurgle of the melting lead and the boiling steel are now silent and abandoned. There is no outward visible sign of devastation but a superficial examination of the inside of the plants reveals the fact that this district has been stripped as thoroughly and more systematically than the line of battle where the cannon roared for four years.

The Cockerell Manufacturing company employed 12,000 workmen at the small arms factory; "Fabrique Nationale" 4,500 skilled workmen manufactured revolvers and rifles; the invention of Browning of Texas; the Ougnee-Mariez plant manufactured steel machinery, locomotives and presses, 14,000 hands having been employed there. Now a few laborers wander like lost souls in the vast halls which seem immense because of the removal by the Germans of all the machinery formerly filling up every available inch of floor space. They are repairing the few dilapidated automobiles, machines and locomotives the Germans left behind in their deliberate retreat and

in their systematic plundering through four years.

The managers of these plants know where their machinery has been removed. They have the names of the firms in the various cities of Germany which are now manufacturing with these stolen machines the products that in a few months they will attempt to unload upon the world's markets. They are dissatisfied and bitter in their comment because they feel they have been neglected by the peace conference. They feel Germany should have been ordered to return at once the stolen machinery or that they should at least have been permitted to enter Germany and remove them to their plants. They are not short of steel. One of the former manufacturers declared he had 2,000,000 pounds of steel on hand, but no machinery.

**NOTED SPEAKER HERE ON FRIDAY NIGHT**

D. E. Millard received a telegram this morning announcing the arrival this evening from San Francisco of David Eugene Olson, president of the International Bible college, of Minneapolis, Minn. President Olson stands over six feet tall, is red-headed and is the cyclone speaker of the middle west. Medford people will have the rare treat of hearing him deliver his wonderful lecture on "The Conquest of a World," Friday evening at 8:30 in the Christian church. Admission free. Everybody is invited and if you hear him you will say he is a marvel. He has been likened unto a "John the Baptist of the Twentieth Century."

**THE EUROPEAN SITUATION IN BRIEF**

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS. May 8.—With the draft of the peace treaty now in the hands of German plenipotentiaries for consideration, the Paris peace conference is turning its attention to the making of peace with the other central powers.

Today the council of four took up the arrangements for presenting the peace terms to Austria, Hungary and Bulgaria.

It appears probable that the settlement with German-Austria will be the first to be reached. The representatives of that nation are due in France early next week. A forecast of the treaty being drawn for their consideration indicates that German-Austria will be asked to pay a portion of the enemy indemnity, her share being estimated at 5,000,000,000 crowns.

Meanwhile the German home government is expected to begin at once the consideration of the peace terms which virtually reduce the German empire to the role of a minor power. Three courses seem to be open to the German government as indicated by recent dispatches. It may either accept the conditions of peace, or reject them, or submit them to a plebiscite.

The speech of Count Von Brockdorff-Rantzau, head of the German delegation to the peace congress, in reply to Premier Clemenceau at Versailles yesterday, appeared to indicate that Germany would prepare objections to some features of the treaty, notably with regard to German financial responsibilities and economic position. All the German objections must be submitted in writing within two weeks.

Serious disorders are reported to have broken out in Peking as a protest over the action of the council of three in awarding to Japan the rights of concessions in Shantung formerly held by the Germans, while the Chinese government, according to Peking advices, has decided to instruct its delegation in Paris not to sign the treaty giving Germany's rights in Shantung to the Japanese.

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