

PEACE PROPOSALS NOT ACCEPTABLE

France and England Do Not Like Terms Offered

Won't Affect War, Says British Paper

PREMIER BRIAND SAYS FRANCE IS NOT EXCITED

Lloyd-George Will Make Formal Answer to Von Bethmann-Hollweg's Announcement in House of Commons Tuesday—Premier of Canada Says People of British Empire Do Not Want a Truce Now.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—"No, we do not want peace on such a basis as Germany proposes."

This is the answer of the British people to Germany's proposal for peace, enunciated yesterday by Von Bethmann-Hollweg.

That answer already is perfectly apparent. It is reflected not only in the newspapers but in the expression of the people on the streets.

Lloyd-George, premier, will make the formal answer of the British nation to the proposals when he addresses the house of commons Tuesday of next week.

BASKATON, Sask., Can., Dec. 13.—"It is the determination of the people of the British empire that there will be no truce," said Premier Borden of Canada today, in commenting on the German peace proposals.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 13.—"As for us, we are not excited. We do not think the war will end soon," said Premier Briand of France, in a message to the French embassy here.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The Evening Star, the first English newspaper to comment on Germany's peace proposals, says the proposals are not likely to affect the war.

Miss Lou Tuttle left the first of the week for the Bay Cities, where she will visit until about May 1.

Farmers Begin Campaign to Poison Jack Rabbits

For use of the farmers of the South-west Klamath Farmers Development League, H. R. Glaisyer, county agriculturist, this morning received a consignment of strychnine, with which to poison jackrabbits.

The league is inaugurating, under the direction of Glaisyer, a campaign for poisoning rabbits in that district. The plan is to build a corral to keep out stock, to place poisoned oats and

KAISER TELLS SOLDIERS HE HAS ASKED FOR PEACE

BERLIN, Dec. 13.—Kaiser Wilhelm's peace order to the army was: "Soldiers, conscious of the victory gained by your bravery, I and the rulers of our allied states have urged a peace offer to the enemy. Whether or not the aim conducted with it will be reached is uncertain."

IF PEACE FAILS GERMANY FIGHTS

CHANCELLOR DECLARES TEUTONS WILL DECLINE RESPONSIBILITY BEFORE HUMANITY IF ALLIES STAND OUT.

BERLIN, Dec. 13.—Von Bethmann-Hollweg, chancellor of the German empire, stated:

"If, despite our offer of peace, the struggle continues, Germany and her allies are resolved to continue the war to victory, but solemnly decline every responsibility before humanity and history."

"Germany is carrying on a war for defense against the enemies aiming at our destruction. We are fighting to insure the integrity of the German nation."

BERLIN, Dec. 13.—If Germany's bid for peace now is rejected by the entente powers, it is certain that the Teutons and their allies never again will take the initiative to end the war. The German public has completely endorsed the warning of Von Bethmann-Hollweg, chancellor of the empire.

"The public is decisively determined to fight to the bitter end against dismemberment of the fatherland."

ACTION OF MELHASE WILL BE TRIED

Trial of the action to break the will of the late Fred Melhase was begun before Judge Marion Hanks, sitting as judge of the probate court, yesterday, and is continuing today. Henrietta Melhase, wife of the deceased, is plaintiff and Gus Melhase and others are defendants.

RUMANIANS IN FULL RETREAT

RETIRE BEFORE ADVANCING TROOP FORCES UNDER MACKENSEN—RUSSIANS ENJOY SUCCESS IN CARPATHIANS.

BERLIN, Dec. 13.—Full retreat of the enemy to the northeast in the flooded Yalomita river district, where a stand was made, is officially reported.

Russian cavalry has reinforced the Rumanians.

On the road to Buzeu, more than 4000 Rumanians have been captured by the Germans.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 13.—Repulsion of the enemy with great losses to them in the wooded sections of the Carpathian mountains is announced from the war office.

East of Chibena the enemy also has been turned back.

Many prisoners and a series of trenches were taken south of Agulsula by the Russians.

SMITH INVOLVES GERMAN CONSUL

SAYS CONSULATE AT NEW YORK GAVE HIM IMPLEMENTS TO OPEN CARS LOADED WITH HORSES FOR THE ALLIES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—The German consulate at New York was involved in the alleged conspiracy against the allies, according to the testimony given today by Louis J. Smith in the Bopp trial.

Smith said he went to the German consulate in New York, told his name and the nature of his business, and was instructed what to do. He declared he was given implements to break open freight cars containing horses for the allies so explosives could be planted in them, but that a man followed him as he went to open the cars, causing him to suspect he was being watched.

Wilson Wants Explanation WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 13.—The state department today strenuously reprobated Provisional President Carranza of Mexico regarding the arrest of Ricardo Solis, an American, at Matamoras and his removal to Victoria for military trial.

Suffragettes Who Heckled the President at Congress Opening



TRIAL OF HYDE CASE COMPLETED

CASE HAS BEEN TRIED IN SEVEN DIFFERENT COUNTIES IN REGION IN WHICH THE DISPUTED LAND IS LOCATED.

Trial of the case of the State of Oregon vs. F. A. Hyde and others was completed in Judge Kuykendall's court yesterday afternoon and this morning the attorneys in the case left for their homes.

The case is one in equity, the state attempting to recover school lands held by Hyde. The same trial has been held in six other counties, but in no instance has the court handed down a decision.

After the decisions are made, the case probably will be taken to the state supreme court. The lands involved in the suit lie in seven different Oregon counties.

George M. Brown, attorney general, and J. O. Bailey, assistant attorney general, appeared for the state in the trial here. A. C. Shaw of Portland represents Hyde.

Neutral Ships Are Caught BERLIN, Dec. 13.—German sea forces have captured the Dutch steamer Caledonian and the Brazilian steamer Rio Parda, loaded with contraband en route to England.

Smith Blew Up Ships SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—Louis J. Smith, testifying in the Bopp trial today, said that Lieut. Von Brincken had hired him to dynamite munition ships.

Kaiser Tells Troops BERLIN, Dec. 13.—Kaiser Wilhelm today notified all German troops that he had made proposals of peace to the enemy.

No Success Seen for Peace Move

GERMANY'S LOSSES OVER THREE MILLION MEN WASHINGTON DOESN'T EXPECT PEACE NOW

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The Germany losses in the war up to November 30 were 3,921,869 men, according to the official casualty list. This number includes 946,027 officers.

Although Administration Officials Do Not Look for Germany to Gain Cessation of Hostilities Now, They Do Believe Seeds That Will Hasten Peace Have Been Sown by Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg.

TERMS OF PEACE ACCEPTABLE TO ALLIES STATED

UNITED PRESS LEARNS WHAT ALLIES WOULD DO

Evacuation and Restoration of All Occupied Territory Is Main Consideration—Russia Must Be Given Constantinople and France Must Get Alsace-Lorraine—Full Indemnity for Destroyed Ships Demanded.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The United Press learned late this afternoon from various sources that the terms of peace the entente powers are expected to offer as a counter proposition to that from Germany will be evacuation and restoration of all occupied territory, with full indemnity for any devastation done.

The allies also will demand restoration of Alsace-Lorraine to France and cessation of Constantinople and the straits to the Black sea to Russia; they will demand indemnity, ship for ship and ton for ton, of all destroyed shipping and adequate punishment for those persons responsible for atrocities of the war.

It is emphasized in all quarters that the only question of a negotiable character at peace proceedings might be the disposition of captured German colonies and limitation of future armament by the German nation.

George W. O'Field, stockman of Merrill, is a county seat visitor today on business.

WILL PLAY WITH MERRILL FRIDAY

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL QUINTETS WILL TAKE ON ALFALFA TOWN TEAMS ON THEIR GROUND THIS WEEK

Klamath high school vs. Merrill high school is the basketball card for next Friday evening. The game will be played at Merrill.

There will be two games, one for the boys and another for the girls of the two institutions. The trip will be made in automobiles.

Because he is low in his grades, Jake Steiger will not be able to play for Klamath high Friday. His place will be taken by Dow. The lineup will be: Forwards, Graves and Dow; center, Lennox; guards, Houston and Montgomery; Perry and Elliott will go along as substitutes.

The lineup of the girls' team will be: Forwards, Helen DuFaut and Karle Montgomery; centers, Dorothy Sanderson and Erna Bamber; guards, Florence DuFaut and Ruth Humphrey. Ida Brown and Fern Hoagland will act as substitutes.

Submarine Chaser Lost OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 13.—The Canadian scout boat and submarine chaser Orissa is believed lost off Shelburne, N. B., with all hands, the minister of naval service has announced.

As a strong feeling against the proposed change in the open deer season, which may commence fifteen days later, September 1 and continue to November 15, instead of November 1, was evidenced at the annual meeting of the Klamath Sportsmen's Association, held last evening, and preparations made to oppose the movement through the game commission and through the legislature.

It is pointed out that the season as it now is permits many of the farmers to take a few days for hunting in the mountains in August, who would be busy with harvest and unable to get away in September. It is also argued that after the 1st of November the deer enter the mating season, and should not be destroyed at that time. It was decided to have the length of

NEUTRALS ONLY TO BE COURIER

GERMANY DOES NOT ASK THEM TO START PEACE NEGOTIATIONS, BUT MERELY INFORM ALLIES TEUTONS ARE READY.

BERLIN, Dec. 13.—Germany has not asked the neutral nations of the world to start peace negotiations. The general understanding, shared by the American embassy here, is that Germany is willing to discuss peace, putting it up to the allies to refuse or acquiesce.

The diplomatic corps of foreign nations here consider Germany's move as a masterstroke in diplomacy.

Two Miners Killed ANGELS CAMP, Cal., Dec. 13.—John Cante, foreman, and Frank Martel, a miner, were killed instantly today when the water skip plunged 1,700 feet down the shaft, crushing both. Two other miners escaped miraculously.

Local Sportsmen Oppose Later Season for Deer

the quail season in Klamath county increased from ten to thirty days, and the number limit increased from twenty to thirty.

The following officers were elected for the year 1917: W. Paul Johnson, president, Dr. R. R. Hamilton vice president, Tom Mitchell secretary, and Fred Houston treasurer; directors, Will Baldwin, O. W. Robertson and Bert Withrow of Klamath Falls; W. C. Dalton, Ross Finley, L. C. Johnson, J. O. Hamaker, R. W. Towner, F. H. Cleaves, B. St. Geo. Bishop and E. A. Wilson of the outlying districts.

The dues of the club have been reduced from \$1 a year to \$0.50, and that a large membership was secured. A special meeting of the members and membership committee was held at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the Commercial Club rooms.