

Freedom of Seas Supported by France

PREMIER OF FRANCE STANDS BY ENGLAND

IS GIVEN OVERWHELMING VOTE OF CONFIDENCE BY CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES—SAYS PRESIDENT WILSON APPROVES POLICY

PRESIDENT SPEAKING AT MANCHESTER SAYS NOT ONLY PEACE OF EUROPE, BUT THE PEACE OF WORLD BEING SOUGHT

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Addressing the chamber of deputies today, Premier Clemenceau made it plain that it was his intention to support Great Britain in the peace negotiations on the question of the freedom of the seas, and he declared that his attitude was approved by President Wilson. Clemenceau was given a vote of confidence of 380 to 134, after a stormy debate. Clemenceau indicated his preference for the old system of alliance, called the balance of power. Referring to his recent conference with President Wilson, he said: "I should not be telling the truth if I said I had always been in agreement with him on all points."

PARIS, Dec. 30.—President Wilson is expected to go to Italy Wednesday night, and to leave on February 10th for the United States.

MANCHESTER, England, Dec. 30.—America is not interested in European politics, but in a partnership of right between America and Europe, declared President Wilson, on receiving the freedom of the city today.

"The Americans are not interested merely in the peace of Europe, but in the peace of the world. If the future had nothing for us but a new attempt to keep the world at a right poise, by a balance of power, the United States would take no interest in it, because she will join no combination of power, which is not a combination of us all," he said.

NEW INFLUENZA PATIENTS ARE NOW REPORTED

The following case of influenza are reported by the Local Health Officers. Ed Kotsdaver, Corner 7th and Klamath. Pete and Arnold Motchenbacher, 729 Walnut Street. John Johnson and Mrs. John Johnson, 4th and High Street. J. H. Perry, Mrs. Floyd Lowden, Lowden child, and Tomlinson child, Mills Addition. C. Orrin Winter, George McLane, Isolation hospital. F. Martin, Houston Hotel. Mrs. W. L. Roberts, Miller Hill school.

NEW FOOD ADMINISTRATOR REACHES TOWN SATURDAY.

A new food administrator, Herbert Hoover arrived early Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Eskelson of this city. The young man arrived in the best of shape to begin his new duties according to Dr. George Wright, who was in attendance. Mrs. Eskelson is a cousin of the little fellow's namesake.

BIG NEW YEAR DANCE AT THE ELKS TEMPLE

A real get together dance for the members of the Elks Club and their wives and sweethearts after the restrictions which have been placed upon the community for so long a time, is being planned by the Elks for New Year's night and judging from the interest that is being taken, there will be a huge attendance. Although the regular Elks annual Ball which is the main social event of the winter, comes later in the season and is the real "dress-up" affair, the party this week will be optional with the participants regarding formal dress.

PREVENTIVE RULES FOR THE INFLUENZA

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30.—Senator Chamberlain declared today that the United States was unprepared to care for the returning wounded soldiers as it had been to enter the war. "God knows" he said "how many lives have been sacrificed needlessly, due to unpreparedness, even up to the time the armistice was signed."

GROCERIES CLOSE NEW YEARS.

All grocery stores in Klamath Falls will be kept closed all day New Year's, according to an announcement made today.

WEATHER REPORT

Oregon—Fair and colder tonight in the eastern portion, moderate northerly winds. Maximum yesterday 30. Minimum today 12.

ILL AT HOME

Miss Vera Houston of the County Clerk's office is unable to be at work on account of illness.

WELL KNOWN PIONEER HAS BEEN CALLED

ONE OF MOST PROMINENT FIGURES IN EARLY HISTORY OF SOUTHERN OREGON DIES FOLLOWING TRAGIC ACCIDENT

Captain Ivan D. Applegate, whose tragic misfortune in being terribly burned at his Ashland home, was described in Saturday's Herald, passed to his last rest late Saturday afternoon as a result of his injuries. That one whose entire life had been spent in so active and useful a manner should have to finally leave it in such a way seems hard to understand, but his sufferings were short, as he was unconscious most of the time after the accident.

Captain I. D. Applegate was widely known as a pioneer settler and Indian war veteran. Probably no figure in Southern Oregon stands out more prominently in the early development of the state than that of the deceased. A great part of his seventy-eight years were spent in blazing a way for the great civilization which was to follow, and which was just commencing to come into its own at the time of his death.

The deceased was born January 25th, 1840, in St. Claire County, Missouri and at the age of three years started across the plains with his father and mother for the Willamette Valley. Lindsay Applegate, the father, and Jesse, his uncle, located the road from Tule Lake to the Willamette Valley in 1846. Ivan came here with his father for the first time in 1861, and first became a resident, as captain of a company of militia, in 1865. In 1868 he was appointed in charge of the commissary in the Indian department of the state. He established the Yalnah Indian agency in 1869 and in 1870 laid aside his public duties and launched into the cattle raising business in Swan Lake Valley.

The next year, however, he received a special appointment from the government as special representative to the Modoc Indian camp on Lost River, and while in this capacity participated in the first battle of the Lava Beds, at the beginning of the Modoc war. His deeds of personal bravery during this combat are now matters of historical record.

Captain Applegate was married in 1871 to Miss Margaret Hutchinson, and was the father of five children: Alice A., now Mrs. C. E. Piel of Ashland; Ada F., deceased; Morey L., now in Mexico; Lena L., now Mrs. W. O. Smith, and Jessie, deceased.

Mrs. Smith left with her daughter for Ashland Saturday on receipt of the sad news, and will return with the remains this evening.

The funeral services will be conducted by the Elks Lodge, of which the deceased was a member, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the Temple.

Compromise Proposed for Court House Controversy

By J. W. SIEMENS

The year of 1918 witnesses the close of a world war, destructive to life and property, and no less destructive in bitter animosities between countries.

The national disputes and animosities that are responsible for this awful war, were very largely inherited from long past generations, and in which the people now living, had they stopped seriously to consider, had not much interest.

At this moment the great men of all nations are gathered for the purpose of making a just peace that will give all nations the chance to live, expand and prosper. It has at last dawned on this world that national jealousies, vindictiveness and unfriendliness do not pay. What can a league of nations accomplish but to promote, and, if necessary, enforce peace, fair dealing and a general recognition of the rights of all.

Klamath County, to its infinite damage, has permitted a spirit of disunion and unfriendliness to grow that seriously threatens the commercial prosperity of the whole community and the well being of every single citizen; and the worst feature of the whole situation is that the basis of present disagreements are a lot of old disputes that originated years ago among men who are now far from the most part dead or have entirely disappeared from the country. Nothing is more certain than that Klamath County must proceed without any delay, to force thru its railroad building, and thereby bring great and immediate prosperity by establishment of large mills and factories. These industries WILL COME, if they can only be assured of adequate transportation, and also that this community will get down to business and settle its differences and be united.

In union only is strength, and we, as a community, ought to have the sense to recognize the fact. Apparently, one great cause of dispute is the location of the court house. Is the location of a court house really such a very important matter? Does its location justify all this bad blood and litigation? Is it of such vast importance as to justify the destruction of our commercial future, and the making of this community the laughing stock of the whole state, as at present? Looking at the question without bias, and simply as a business proposition, and as to what is best for the community, it does seem that a reasonable and satisfactory settlement of differences in this court house matter should be possible. We have two uncompleted buildings. We cannot afford to sacrifice either. They cannot both be the court house. How can they both be made to serve the necessities of this community to the advantage of everybody? One of these buildings should be a court house, the other should be a federal building. Public buildings exist only for the convenience of the public, and for no other purpose. Now, how would the convenience of the public be best served? That should be the only question to be settled. If the building on the old court house site were to be used for a court house, that would mean that the building in Hot Springs Addition would be the postoffice. How would the business interests of the town be affected by having the postoffice out in Hot Springs Addition? From the point of view of utility and service to the most citizens, it would seem that such a universal and necessary convenience as the postoffice should not be located out in Hot Springs Addition. A settlement that should satisfy all reasonable necessities of Klamath Falls and Klamath County, and should be satisfactory to every reasonable person, would seem to be the establishment of a federal building on the old court house site. With a satisfactory federal building, Klamath Falls has a right to demand the location of the United States land office here. We have already had assurance from government officials that if we can get a government building, the United States court would hold regular sessions here. The Indian service, forest service, the reclamation service and other government business would be located here, to the great advantage of this community. It is certain that we cannot have a chronic condition of local war, and expect to have anything else.

A new year is just before us—1919 will mean either great prosperity or disaster to the people of Klamath County and Klamath Falls. Either we must compose our differences like reasonable human beings, or we must face the inevitable our foolishness and brought upon us. We may have in 1919 more railroads, reasonable freight rates, new markets for Klamath County products, great new mills and factories, great increase in population and general prosperity. OR we may have a fight to a finish is a petty, childish, ridiculous fight. Some one is bound to lose out in such a fight. What possible good will a victory be to anyone? Is the game worth the candle?

LLOYD LOW IN LUXEMBURG NOW

A letter received from Sergeant Lloyd Low of the Remount Squadron overseas written on November 26th, conveys the news that he was with the army of Occupation stationed in Luxemburg and was headed in an easterly direction. The battle zone has been so cut up by shell holes, he says that it is not safe to take a horse from the highway. Some of the holes are big enough to bury a box car.

DUCK HUNTING SEASON CLOSES.

The duck hunting season will be closed tomorrow, December 31st, according to Game Warden, Henry Stout, who states that it is the Federal Law which closes the season at this time.

MONTelius FUNERAL TOMMORROW MORNING.

The funeral services of Mrs. Nellie Montelius, who passed away last Friday night, are to be held at the Whitlock Chapel at Sixth and Pine tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock.

NEW TELEPHONE MANAGER HERE

E. T. Ludden, the new manager of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company has arrived from Salem to assume his new duties here and to relieve J. T. Fries of the Corvallis office who has been temporarily in charge since L. R. Robertson resigned the first of the month. Mr. Ludden who has been in Klamath Falls before, is much pleased over conditions here. His family is expected to arrive about the middle of January.

DANIELS FAVORING INCREASE OF NAVY

WASHINGTON D. C. Dec. 30.—Secretary Daniels appearing before the House Naval Committee today said that Naval Expansion should be continued indefinitely, with the provision for the suspension of construction at the order of the President, whenever the international agreement was made for armament reduction.

NEW MAYOR IS NOW INSTALLED IN HIS OFFICE

BEGINS REGULAR DUTIES AT MEETING SATURDAY NIGHT. DECLARATIONS OF POLICIES AT NEXT MEETING.

Without unusual ceremony of any kind, the new Mayor of Klamath Falls, L. R. Struble assumed his place as executive head of the city at the continued meeting of the City Council Saturday night. His declaration of principles and policies are expected to be announced at the first meeting in January which will be Monday the 6th. Mayor Struble had taken his oath of office shortly following his election.

The meeting Saturday night was given over mainly to a discussion of influenza conditions and the advisability of discontinuing the present isolation hospital quarters for other smaller and less expensive in the next few days.

It was brought out that the total cost to the city on account of the influenza has been \$2014.89, the rent of the quarters has totaled \$238.18, equipment \$888.78 and maintenance \$1755.19. Of the total amount \$289.36 has been paid by the patients and there remains still due \$1,272.57.

WILSON URGES WHEAT PRICES BE MADE GOOD

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30.—President Wilson has called to the house and senate leaders that immediate action must be taken to fulfill the guarantee made by the food administration as a result of the presidential proclamation of the price of the 1919 crop of wheat. Appropriation will be made to permit the government to absorb the difference between the guaranteed price and the prices at which the wheat may have to be sold both at home and abroad. Recommendations to carry out the President's plan have been filed with Chairman Lever of the agricultural committee of the house, both by the department of agriculture and also by the food administration. The regulation of the 1919 wheat price is going to be difficult, as the winter wheat average is 9,000,000 acres greater than that of 1918 and the visible supply of wheat, as of December 1, is twice as great as a year ago. The commercial stocks of wheat reported in a survey made by the department of agriculture for December 1, 1918, amounted to 219,134,822 bushels. These holdings by 19,669 firms, elevator, warehouses, grain mills, wholesale dealers, were more than twice as large as the stocks held by the same firms a year earlier, the actual percentage being 204.1 per cent of the 1917 stocks. The figures refer to stocks actually reported and do not represent the commercial stocks of the country nor do they include stocks on farms.

OREGON CASUALTY LIST TODAY.

Killed in action Pvt. James R. Bain, Portland. Died of Wounds Pvt. Emil C. Gourdeau, Portland. Wounded Severely Pvt. Thos. S. Quigley, Oswego. Pvt. Robt. M. Murphy, Molser.

MOBS NOW RIOTING IN FRANKFORT UNCHECKED

TROOPS IN CITY REFUSE TO FIRE ON THE RIOTERS. AUTHORITIES POWERLESS. VIENNA CAPTURED BY BOLSHIEVIKI.

CHINA WANTS ADJUSTMENT OF TRADE RELATIONS WITH REST OF WORLD. CHANGES MADE IN GERMAN GOVERNMENT HEADS

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Pillaging is being carried on by mobs in Frankfort Germany—and the authorities are powerless, says an Amsterdam dispatch today. Troops in the city have refused to fire on the rioters.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Vienna has been captured by Bolshievi forces, according to a Copenhagen dispatch to the "Mail" quoting Petrograd reports.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 30.—The Central Council of Soldiers Workmen of Germany has appointed Herr Noake, Governor of Kiel, Herr Loebe editor of the Breslau Volks Wacht and Herr Wislauer member of the Reichstag, as cabinet members to replace Foreign Minister Haase, Minister of social policy Barth and Demobilization Minister Dittman, who retired Saturday, say advices from Berlin today.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—China will ask the Peace Conference for a return of Kiao Chaw, the former German controlled province captured by Japan early in the war and the readjustment of international trade relations to place China on an equal plane with other nations according to Lu Cheng Chiang, Chinese minister of foreign affairs who is heading the Chinese delegation to the Peace Conference.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 30.—The Independent socialists in the Prussian ministry and officials of the Prussian government who belong to that party have resigned, it is reported.

MORE WORKERS AT RED CROSS ROOMS NEEDED

Now that the holiday season is nearly over and the Flu situation much improved, we hope to see the former crowds at the Red Cross Sewing rooms again. With good attendance we could finish our allotments in a comparatively short time, then we could all rest. Make a New Year's resolution that you will spend at least one day a week at the sewing room. We have also received a large shipment of yarn, for both socks and sweaters and the boys "Over there" are still needing knitted goods.