

NATION LEAGUE FIRST SUBJECT OF CONFERENCE

New Armistice Terms for Germany

WILSON PLANS TOUR

Russia May Be Represented at First Formal Peace Conference—President Plans Trip Over U. S. on Return to Inform People of What is Being Done in France.

PARIS, Jan. 14.—Russia may be represented at the first formal peace conference meeting. This question will be decided tomorrow.

The first question to come up for consideration will be the League of Nations.

General Foch is now enroute to Trier to meet the German armistice delegates and lay down terms for the extension of the armistice.

Suggestions made yesterday to make the terms of the extension more drastic, were not carried out.

The extension, however, provides for the turning over of the German commercial fleet to transport the troops, in exchange for food, for restitutions of material taken from France and Belgium in full compliance with the armistice terms.

The President has decided to communicate with the representatives of the American newspapers thru medium of a publicity agent.

Ray Standard Baker, a former magazine writer has been chosen for this work.

PARIS, Jan. 14.—President Wilson is considering making a speaking tour of the United States when he returns, according to an announcement made here today. This tour would take him to many of the principal cities of the United States and possibly to the Pacific Coast.

With Congress out of the way early in March, it is believed he would have time for this before he returns to Europe, if he finds such a return to be necessary.

He would also have time for the trip before the convening of the extraordinary session, should Congress decide to call one.

The object of the tour would be to inform the people of the country of the proceedings in Paris and to round out and encourage the sentiment supporting the peace principles which he enunciated and which he feels have been acclaimed by the masses in Europe.

SHEEPMAN VISITS

Dave Edler, a well known sheepman is in town today on matters of business. Mr. Edler is wintering a large band of sheep in the Merrill district.

MORE TROOPS ARE COMING

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 14.—The transport Manchuria has sailed from France with 4,000 troops, and the transport Canada with about 1,200.

BOLSHEVIK THREATEN WARSAW

WARSAW, Jan. 14.—Bolshevik forces are converging on Warsaw over three railroad lines. It is feared they will take the city.

DRAFT BOARD MEN MAY GET COMMISSIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 14.—Senator Jones, of Washington, has introduced a bill in the Senate to give a brevet Major's commission to every man who served on the district or local boards during the war. The President is authorized by the bill to issue the commissions, with the understanding that they carry no salaries and that the men so commissioned

be assigned to no commands. A suitable bronze medal is also authorized to be provided for each man by the Secretary of War.

Secretary of Interior Lane will not be able to use any part of the \$1,000,000 asked for reclamation surveys for an investigation of the Big Bend irrigation project in Eastern Washington which proposes the irrigation of 3,000,000 acres of land. Promoters of the project made the request that a portion of this million dollars be set aside for that project, but reference to the estimates submitted to Congress by the Secretary of the Interior shows that this money is asked for "reclamation by drainage," which means that it can only be used to survey drainage projects on swamp or logged-off lands.

Representative Sinnott's bill passed by the House revesting title in the Government to 93,000 acres of land in Coos and Douglas counties, Oregon known as the Coos Bay wagon road land grant, means that these two counties will be refunded approximately \$500,000, paid out in back taxes, and that they will receive from \$500,000 to \$700,000 from the sale of the lands.

PAYMENTS DUE SOON FOR LIBERTY LOAN

The fourth installment of the Fourth Liberty Loan will be due and payable on Thursday, January 16th, and all local banks are anxious that those who are paying for their bonds on the installment plan, be prepared to take up these obligations, which will relieve the in of considerable detail work. Hitherto the installments which have not been paid by the customers have been taken care of by the banks, in order to protect the subscriber as far as possible, but it has been announced this custom will be discontinued from now on, and that bonds on which there are overdue payments will be sold in the open market.

The fourth installment will be 20 per cent, and is the next to the final payment on the fourth loan.

NEW BOUNTY ON RABBIT'S EARS

COUNTY COURT PLACES FIVE CENT BOUNTY FOR EACH PAIR OF EARS. MUST BE PRESENTED IN QUANTITIES.

No longer will the bunny jack-rabbit hap gaily amongst the sage brush of Klamath as has been the case in the past, for a price has been set upon his head by the powers that be, or rather upon his ears, for according to a decree issued by the County Court here yesterday each pair of ears will be worth five cents, dating from January, 1st.

They must however, be brought to the Clerk's office in bunches of fifty pairs in order to save time in making out the bounty warrants. The new cruet applies to jack rabbits only.

It is not necessary that the one securing rabbit appear for the bounty as in the case with other animals. Any person may buy the ears and legally secure the bounty.

OLD EMPLOYERS OF STATE TREASURERS OFFICE HELD

SALEM, Jan. 14.—John D. Southerton, cashier in the treasurers office, recently appointed by Hoff, died suddenly while reading at home Sunday night. He was sixty-one years old and had been connected with the Treasurer's office for twenty-eight years.

Hoff has announced that Lester B Davis would be his successor.

CATTLE BUYER HERE

F. H. Butcher is here from Los Angeles negotiating the purchase of a herd of cattle belonging to Silas Obenshain.

RECOVERING FROM ILLNESS

Mrs. Austin White who has been very ill at her home in this city, is reported to be considerably improved today.

LEGISLATURE SESSIONS ARE OPENED TODAY

Governor Withycombe Addresses Gathering

POLICIES DETERMINED

Aid for Finding Work for Returned Soldiers, Merchant Marine for Oregon, Partnership Between State and Nation Urged by Executive in Opening Talk This Morning.

SALEM, Jan. 14.—State co-operation with the federal government in land settlement work, by "a rational bonding system," aid for returning soldiers in finding positions, a joint memorial to congress urging construction of a merchant marine for Oregon, and legislation to solve the state's financial situation, were recommended by Governor James Withycombe in his message to the thirtieth Oregon legislative assembly.

A saving of \$680,000 "by a single legislative stroke," in suspending state aid to the industrial accident commission for the coming biennium, because the commission now is in such a flourishing condition that state aid is not needed, was another suggestion made by the governor. Recommendations concerning the state penitentiary, establishment of a state constabulary, and legislation with reference to fish and game, were included in the message.

"It is your responsibility to lay the foundation for a partnership between state and nation in the matter of rearranging public affairs and institutions to meet a situation that has borne no parallel since the birth of this commonwealth," said the chief executive, in beginning his message. "In many of the serious questions which will be put forward during the next forty days you will have no precedents to guide you. You will, in a certain positive sense, be pioneers."

Referring to the proud war record of Oregon and the need to provide proper care for the boys returning home, the message next dealt with the question of land settlement, "especially as it affects the returning soldiers and sailors, who are entitled to every encouragement as they return to civil life." Four phases of this subject are to be considered, the governor declared: The clearing of logged-off lands, reclamation of irrigated lands, drainage of swamp lands and the subdivision of farms in humid sections.

"Congress," said the governor, "will undoubtedly make some provision for federal assistance in this work, but it will probably be conditional upon state co-operation. This will, of course, involve a new system of financing. Under our present 6 per cent limitation there is only one way, as I view it, that we could undertake this enterprise and that would be thru a rational bonding system that would meet with the approval of the electorate of the state."

Preferential rights for returned soldiers in contracts for employment on public works, such as highway construction, was urged upon the legislature. The governor also asked passage of a bill providing that soldiers absent on active duty be allowed to vote, and urged enactment of a bill fixing penalty for treason. He pointed out that there is now no penalty for treason on the statute books of Oregon, and urged that this would be a good time "to set down in the statutes, Oregon's appraisal of I. W. W.-ism and other forms of disloyalty, so that there may never be any misunderstanding as to the degree of punishment Oregon courts and juries would mete out to disloyal persons."

After describing the tremendous natural resources of the state, the executive declared there is need of a strong merchant marine manned by

Oregon men and managed by Oregonians. "If we are to harvest Oregon's full crop, we must look toward a development of commercial as well as industrial and agricultural resources," he said, "our great problem is to create stable markets for the products of Oregon forests and mines, and of Oregon farms, gardens and orchards. Therefore, I earnestly recommend that this legislature dispatch a joint memorial to the congress of the United States, strongly urging upon the federal government the advisability of building a large number of ships that could be chartered readily to the business men in Coast states on terms that would enable them to compete successfully with any shippers in the world."

Governor Withycombe reiterated his objections to the tax limitation provision, and declared: "The financial situation in Oregon is uncertain, but it is by no means hopeless, and I have faith in the ability of this legislature to solve the problem. As a matter of business expediency, permit me to invite attention toward the advisability of establishing the end of the fiscal year at July 1st, rather than January 1st, thus running the state ledger concurrently with the books of the federal government."

"A ray of bright sunshine confronts us as we touch upon the industrial accident commission, which has grown amazingly since its establishment five years ago," said the governor. After explaining how \$480,000 could be saved the state by discontinuing state aid, not now needed, for the two year period beginning in July, he added that an additional \$150,000 could be saved prior to next July. The legislature declared an emergency in passing the necessary amendment. Under his plan, state aid would not be eliminated permanently, "as a return to normal conditions might create a new situation."

Extension of the law to make the women's compensation act compulsory for all classes of employments

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RUSSIA DRIFTING FAST TO BARBARISM

LONDON, Jan. 14.—"Russia, that is soviet Russia, will revert to absolute barbarism within three years if assistance is not offered from the outside," says a British officer who recently escaped from Russia. To the correspondent of the Associated Press, he added:

"Men and women of the better classes who have lived thru the first year of Bolshevism are donning peasant garb in self-defense and dropping into the dull, monotonous village life. There's nothing else for them to do. Russia will soon be as primitive as the Congo if allowed to drift along under Bolshevik control. It is hopeless to expect leadership in Russia which will save the country from reversion to mediaevalism. The Bolshevik leaders are not strong. Opposition leaders are so weak that Lenin and his associates seem strong by comparison. They are merely better organized than any other group."

VINTON TO HEAD OREGON SENATE

SALEM, Jan. 14.—With the election of Senator Vinton of Yamhill as the President of the Senate, and Seymour Jones of Marion County as Speaker of the House, the Legislature swung into session yesterday. The elections were unanimous.

The committees on assignments was announced. Senator J. C. Smith was named Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. Senator Eddy of Roseburg is Chairman of the Committee on the revision of laws.

REVOLT CONTINUES SERIOUS IN BERLIN

BERLIN, Jan. 14.—Order has been completely restored in the cities outside Berlin, whose Spartacans have re-established themselves. Many have been arrested at Spandau, Hamburg and Dresden.

RETURNS FROM CALIFORNIA

W. T. Shive, who has been visiting California points for the past few weeks has returned to Klamath Falls.

DRASTIC STEPS ARE TAKEN TO STAMP DISEASE

General Cleanup Here to Be Made

CASES EXAGGERATED

All Places of Business Except Drug Stores and Restaurants Closed Wednesday and Thursday Afternoons—District Marshals Appointed—Scare Will Soon Be Over.

There are about 75 cases of influenza in the city. Added to this might be about 18 or 20 cases unreported and doubtful, so that at the outside you might say there are not over 100 cases that may be put in the influenza class.—Statement of Health Officer Soule at the council meeting last evening.

Reduced to its last analysis, the influenza situation in Klamath Falls is such as not to warrant the wild rumors and agitation that have been prevalent for the past few days. Realizing this to be a fact, a number of the business men of the city met with the mayor and city council Sunday afternoon and discussed the problem that was confronting the Health Board, and it was the consensus of opinion at that meeting that steps should be taken to allay the apprehension of the timid and quiet gossip of the busy-body by closing the town for a portion of this week, that closing to be done for the purpose of bringing about a general clean-up of the city, disinfecting the disease-breeding spots, that fumigation of every place that might be productive of influenza germs and the inauguration of an "air tight" quarantine.

MILLS SEWER IS DISCUSSED

COMMITTEE OF CITY COUNCIL, ENGINEER AND PROJECT MANAGER GOING OVER GROUND THIS AFTERNOON

The Mills Addition committee of the city council appointed by the mayor to look into the possibility of improving the sanitary conditions of that district is making an inspection this afternoon, with Manager J. B. Bond of the Klamath Reclamation project and City Engineer J. C. Cleghorn.

Manager Bond has indicated the willingness of the reclamation service to co-operate if possible with the city in alleviating the conditions which are known to be deplorable in that section. The possibility of installing a drainage and sewerage system in the same trench will be gone into by the committee.

Mayor I. R. Struble, in his address outlining the work of the year, emphasized the improving of Mills Addition as one of the main things to be accomplished.

HORSEFLY ELECTS DIRECTORS TODAY

Three directors are to be elected today for the Horsefly Irrigation Project in Eastern Klamath. The names of all three will be written in on the ballots. William Woods, F. J. Bowne and William Irwin are among the candidates for the positions. The election is being held at Bonanza.

LEAVES FOR LAKE COUNTY

Frank Murry, a stockman on the big Klamath Marsh in Northern Klamath County, who has been in the city for a few days, left today for Lakeview and Silver Lake and other points in Lake County on matters of business.

accept any excuse except the rigid enforcement of law and health regulations.

City Health Officer Soule, is now satisfied that there will not be a recurrence of the present agitation, for he is out to clean up the city and keep it clean. In discussing the number of cases of the disease in the city he said:

"There is no necessity for the people of the city to become excited over the influenza. When I say that there are one hundred cases that may be considered as having influenza, that is stretching the condition to bring within the scope of the disease everything possessed of the slightest suspicion of that malady." "There is no question but that the situation has been grossly exaggerated. Under normal conditions in this city for the past several years one hundred cases of sickness would not be unusual. Neither is it this year, but some people have become excited with the result that ridiculous stories of conditions have been spread, whether thru design or otherwise, until the confidence of the people have been shaken. If the people now co-operate in the clean-up movement and aid in the enforcement of the quarantine, it will not be many days until the present scare is forgotten and everything will assume its normal condition."

The special health officers and quarantine officials appointed by the Board last night, with the territory over which they shall exercise jurisdiction are:

- E. J. Lawrence, from center of Sixth Street to U. S. Canal. G. F. Severts, north of U. S. Canal. M. L. Miller, Mills Addition and Hillside. Frank E. Ankeny, Center Street to Sixth Street. W. W. Whitlatch, Center street to Sixth Street. Thomas Durham, Center street west.

The duties of these officers are to look after the needs of the people within their territory who are quarantined, to enforce the quarantine and to clean and disinfect after quarantine has been lifted. They are instructed to discharge their duties with courtesy, but to firmly enforce the law and regulations of the Board.

NEW ISOLATION HOSPITAL WILL BE FITTED OUT

Building Secured on Crescent Avenue NOW BEING PREPARED

Red Cross Will Co-Operate With City and County in Sharing Expense of New Institution—Patients Unable to Pay for Care Will Be Treated on Charge Account.

As a further step towards the proper control of health conditions within the city and county, the mayor and county court held a conference yesterday afternoon, when it was decided to establish a joint isolation hospital. This has been done and the Health Board has secured a lease on the S. P. White residence on Crescent avenue, and Dr. Soule and a corps of assistants are busy today getting the place ready for patients.

This institution shall be open to all, whether they have the means to pay or not, but those who are in a position to pay for the services they receive will have to do so, and these charges will be collected in advance, as in the case in other hospitals. Where a patient has not the means to pay, a charge account will be opened, and when that person secures employment he will be expected to reimburse the city or county for the cost of care. Manufacturing establishments charging regular monthly hospital fees will be asked to waive the contract conditions, and defray the expense of any of their employees who may be taken there.

At the council meeting last night H. D. Mortensen made the following statement to those present:

"I have been authorized by the Red Cross to tender for the new epidemic their previous offer made—namely that they will undertake one third of the deficit expense, after deducting receipts, incurred on account of the influenza epidemic up to an amount not exceeding one thousand dollars—provided the city and the County will each stand one third. Our national regulations preclude our making an outright grant of any sum, and we therefore, must pay out this money to take up properly audited bills incurred thru purchases requisition permits authorized and approved by the City Council or the County officials and passed upon by our Treasurer and executive committees for supplies or nursing."

"The Red Cross will also, as previously furnish on requisition, any bed-jackets, pajamas, surgeons gowns, masks for nurses or pneumonia jackets needed by the City and County in their fight against influenza. The non-perishable articles to be kept track of fumigated and returned after the epidemic, the perishable articles will not be expected back and no charge will be made for them. These supplies will be kept available for distribution day or night as previously. Anything in excess of this contribution from the Red Cross will be paid equally by the city and county."

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YANKS HELD FOR AIDING MEXICAN REVOLUTIONISTS.

MUSCON, Jan. 14.—Seven prominent Mexican and American residents have been arrested here charged with smuggling arms into Mexico in connection with a new revolutionary movement.

FORMER KLAMATH PHYSICIAN VISITS.

Dr. F. M. White who is well known in Klamath Falls, where he practiced for many years came in last night from Marshfield to look after business interests. He is looking well and says that his entire family has escaped the influenza thus far although it has been very serious there.