

PEACE IS SIGNED; GREAT WAR ENDS.

Germans Put Signatures to Document First.

VERSAILLES, June 28—World peace was signed and sealed in the historic hall of mirrors at Versailles this afternoon, but under circumstances which somewhat dimmed the expectations of those who had worked and fought during long years of war and months of negotiations for its achievement.

The absence of the Chinese delegates, who at the last moment were unable to reconcile themselves to the Shantung settlement, and left the eastern empire outside the form of purviews of peace, struck the first discordant note in the assembly. A written protest which General Jan Christian Smuts lodged with his signature was another disappointment to the makers of the treaty.

Germans Resentful at Last.

But, bulking larger, was the attitude of Germany and the German plenipotentiaries, which left them, and evident from the original program of the day and from the expression of Mr. Clemenceau, still outside any formal reconciliation and made actual restoration to regular relations and intercourse with the allied nations dependent, not upon the signature of the "preliminaries of peace" today, but upon ratification by the national assembly.

To M. Clemenceau's stern warning in his opening remarks that they would be expected, and held, to observe the treaty provisions legally and completely the German delegates through Dr. Haniel von Hainhausen, replied after returning to the hotel that had they known they would be treated on a different status after signing than the allied representatives, as shown by their separate exit before the general body of the conference, they never would have signed.

Meeting Internationally Harsh.

The ceremony otherwise had been deliberately to be austere, with the sorrows and sufferings of the five years, and the lack of genuineness and picturesque color.

When the spectators who had expected a magnificent state pageant complained, was a matter of design, not mere omission.

The actual ceremony was far shorter than had been expected, in view of the number of signatures which were to be appended to the treaty and the two accompanying covenants, ending in a bare 49 minutes after the hour set for the opening. The proceedings were carried on without surface incidents. The sole words to be recorded in the protocol of the conference were M. Clemenceau's short opening allocution, with its brief, stern warning to the Germans and his terse phrases declaring the ceremony closed.

Germans Sign First.

Contrary to the expectation, the Germans were called to sign first, and no precedence was given M. Clemenceau, President Wilson or Mr. Lloyd George, who in the peace treaty appear only as members of the respective delegations and discard the dignities and responsibilities which during the negotiations were summed up in the phrase, "the big three."

The two German delegates arose without a word at M. Clemenceau's bidding, and placed upon the treaty the sign manuals which German government leaders declared until recently never would be appended to it. It was too distant to watch, even with glasses, the expressions on the faces of the German plenipotentiaries during the ceremony, but more fortunate observers among the officials say that they fulfilled their roles without apparent indications of emotion, such as marked Von Brinckdorff-Rantzau's dramatic attack at the first meeting.

Wilson Heads Allies.

When they regained their seats after signing, President Wilson immediately arose and, followed by the other American plenipotentiaries, moved around the two isles of the great horse shoe to the signature tables.

President Wilson, and not M. Clemenceau, thus had the honor of signing first of all the leaders of the world alliance, but the honor was due to the alphabet, not other considerations, as the signatures occur in the same French alphabetical order as the enumeration of the allied and associated powers in the prologue of the treaty—the same order which determined the seating of the delegations at the plenary session of the inter-allied conference.

The five great powers were grouped separately, the similar states following again in alphabetical order.

REVENGE, CRIES HUN PRESS

Treaty Held Mockery, Not to be Observed When Power Secured.

Berlin, June 28.—The Pan-German Deutsche Zeitung prints the following across its front page:

"German honor today will be carried to its grave in the hall of mirrors in which, in the glorious year of '71, the German empire was resurrected in all its former splendor. Let us forget! In restless labor the German people will again strive to attain that place among the nations of the world to which it is entitled.

"Then vengeance for the disgrace of 1919!"

The Tageblatt says: "The German people reject the treaty which its delegates are signing today, and it does not believe for a single moment, that it will endure. Despite the fact that it is written on parchment, it remains a 'scrap of paper,' because it is a mockery of all the laws of reason and morals and the most disgraceful exhibit in the museum of civilization."

Smiles.

"Bliggins is still complaining about his income tax." "Yes. It's his method of trying to intimate that his income is something important."

He (during the quarrel)—You must think I'm as big a fool as I look. She—I think that if you aren't you have a great deal to be thankful for.

Mother (at telephone)—Mercy, John, our daughter has married the chauffeur.

Father—So? Well, maybe now he'll have some object in keeping down the repair bills.

"Gee whiz! Isn't that Smithson who just went by in his automobile? When I knew him a few years ago he had a junk shop."

"He still has. Only he moved it to a fashionable street and labeled the same stock 'antique.'"

The Jameson (Mo) Gem observes that if a young man has money to burn it is easy to induce a young woman to strike a match.

"A rolling stone gathers no moss." "Yes," answered the man who doesn't care much for proverbs; "but that's no great satisfaction to the animal that gets stuck on a piece of fly paper."

"Are you going to see the prize fight?" "No. I'm going to hold off and see the real one that's coming off later about the gate money."

Donald—D'ye ken Mac fell in the river or his way home last night?

Willie—Ye dinna mean tae say he was drowned?

Donald—Not drowned, but badly diluted.

The teacher was giving the class a natural history lesson on Australia. "There is one animal," she said, "none of you have mentioned. It does not stand up on its legs all the time. It does not walk like other animals, but takes funny little skips. What is it?" And the class yelled with one voice: "Charley Chaplin."

The Fredonia (Kans.) Citizen hastens to correct an error in a recent marriage license report. The age of the bride, the Citizen explains, should have been 23 instead of 27.

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Scraps of Paper.

"Debarred, demobilized, deloused, delighted." This was the telegram received by a fond Washington mother from her soldier son who had just returned from Europe, according to the Washington Star.

Whether its a session of the big three, the big four or the big five, you never hear of any of the big three being absent. One might wonder if this isn't sometimes just a bit disconcerting for the Big One.

Mr. Voliva, the "Prophet" Dowle's successor, insists that the earth is flat. Maybe he means it's flat broke. If he does, and it isn't, it will be if it has to support a Wilson administration of the league of nations.

Figures gathered on the relative taxes resulting from the war show that France and Italy increased their taxation about six percent. Great Britain about 1100 per cent and the United States 2000 per cent.

Capt. John Alcock, a Briton, and Lieut. Arthur W. Brown, American, hopped over the Atlantic in 16 hours in one hop, giving America a fifty-fifty share in the dare-devil championship. Nothing to beat now but the time.

The fellow who swallowed the "he kept us out of war bait" in 1916 and is ready to take it again as an argument for the league of nations covenant raises some question as to the comparatively intelligence of man and the hen who sits hopefully on a door knob.

It is said that the United States will have to endorse polygamy if it accepts a Turkish mandate. Very well. If Uncle Sam commits a bigamous alliance with Europe in compliance with the league of nations ritual, an endorsement of polygamy shouldn't be at all inconsistent.

The nation which signs an international covenant concerning the merits of which it is in doubt, on the plea that it can be improved later, shows as much sense as the girl who marries a drunkard on the theory that she will have plenty of time and opportunity to reform him afterwards.

Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, says: "If the people of Arkansas don't vote for the league two to one, or more, I'll retire from the Senate." The senator is on safe ground. Arkansas is one of those states that will vote two-to-one for polygamy, grand larceny or any other odd thing the democratic party declares for, and the vote in the state will be whatever the Democratic politicians in the state want to make it.

The pro-leaguers, treaty-of-any-old-kind advocates and Wilson-can-do-no-mistaking Democrats in the United States Senate charged that if any "interests" in New York got hold of a copy of the peace treaty they did so by theft, bribery or some other nefarious practice. But after all that squawk, the truth turned out to be

that Mr. Lamont, Mr. Wilson's adviser at Paris on financial features of the treaty, got the treaty by the President's authority and turned it over to Mr. Davidson who gave it to Mr. Root who showed it to Mr. Lodge and there you are. So Mr. Hitchcock went off half cocked—as usual.

Hogs Attacked by Cholera. Wheeler, Or., June 22—Cholera attacked Rudolph Zweifel's herd of hogs at Mohler the first of the week, and to date he has lost 170 out of 382 provided. The disease was brought in by a carload of unvaccinated hogs. Dr. Glaisyer of Tillamook has been there vaccinating the remaining hogs

and cleaning up their yard by burning the logs and stumps. After finishing this the yard will be thoroughly disinfected, and a new yard provided. The disease was brought in by a carload of unvaccinated hogs. Further spread of the disease is not feared.



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