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## TIME FOR INDEPENDENCE OF PHILIPPINES CLOSE AT HAND SAYS BAKER

### Secretary Of War Tells Filipino Mission Seeking Self-Government, Is Rapidly Drawing Near When Islands Will Control Own Destinies.—Freedom Will Prove To United States Is Liberating Not Conquering Nation. Leader Of Delegation Asserts.

Washington, April 4.—The time for Philippine independence has, Secretary of War Baker today told the Filipino mission here, seeking self-government.

The day is very close at hand when this can be formally accomplished, Baker told the mission, describing existing relations as being merely "formal."

This, he added, is the view of the president as well. He read a letter from the president to the mission which expressed pride in the support the Filipino people have given to the United States during the war.

President Sends Message. The president's letter in part, addressed to Secretary Baker and read by him to the mission, said:

"I will you please express to the gentlemen of the mission representing the Filipino legislature my regret that I shall be unable to see them personally on their arrival in Washington, as well as my hope that their mission will be a source of satisfaction to them and that it will result in bringing about the desirable end set forth in the joint resolution of the legislature approving the sending of the commission to the United States."

"I have been deeply gratified with the consistent support and encouragement received from the Filipino people and from the Philippine legislature in the trying period through which we are passing. The people of the United States, have, with reason, taken the deepest pride in the loyalty and support of the Filipino people."

Island Cause Re-emphasized. "Though unable to meet the commission, the Filipino people shall not be absent from my thoughts. Not the least important labor of the conference which now requires my attention is that of making the pathway of the weaker people of the world less perilous—a labor which should be, and doubtless is, of deep and abiding interest to the Filipino people."

A mission consisting of forty prominent natives of the islands headed by Manuel L. Quezon, president of the Philippine senate, presented the appeal for independence to Secretary Baker at the war department.

Declaring that the islands stood by you in the fight for the rights and liberties of small nations," Quezon, speaking of independence to his country will prove to the world that America is liberating rather than a conquering nation."

Aid in War Praised. The mission came to Secretary Baker's office this morning, where they were received by the secretary, Chief of Staff March, General Frank M. McIntyre, who has been in charge of the insular bureau, and other distinguished army officers, whose past service has brought them in touch with the Filipino people.

Baker praised the cooperation of the Filipinos during the war and their restraint in abandoning, during that period, all agitation for independence.

He dwelt upon the development of the principles of liberty and self government, which the Filipino people have achieved under American supervision. He said that the people of the United States would be even prouder of the Filipinos when they had achieved their independence entirely.

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Foch Presents Allied Terms To Hun Armistice Commission

Spa, April 4.—The German armistice commission today was in possession of the allies' decision regarding the Danzig controversy and instructions concerning observance of the armistice. These were communicated to the enemy representatives in two conferences yesterday.

Marshal Foch concurred with Matthias Erzberger, former chairman of the armistice commission, on the former's special train for forty minutes, beginning at 9:30 a. m. Foch and Erzberger held a second conference later in which General Weygand, the marshal's aide; General Nudant, French representative on the allied armistice commission and General von Hammerstein, present chairman of the German commission, participated. This meeting was held in Neuhaus villa, starting at 11 a. m., and continuing for an hour and a half.

The American members of the commission gave a dinner in honor of Foch.

### Westerners To Entertain 91st Boys In N.Y. Tuesday

New York, April 4.—The westerners alone will entertain the famous Wild West division units here Tuesday. And in return, the 91st division will pass in a formal parade, according to plans being arranged today by the Rocky Mountain club and commanders of the division.

A big banquet will be tendered the fighters following the parade. In turn, this will be followed by a card of star boxing bouts being arranged especially for the westerners by Tex Rickard. Army and navy fighters as well as professional boxers will appear.

Mayor James Ralph, Jr., of San Francisco, and his wife are making a prominent part in the arrangements. Ralph came here to welcome the 26th infantry and other California units in the returning division.

Independent now; your legislature governs the islands," Secretary Baker told the delegation. "The strongest tie between the Philippines and the United States at the present time is the tie of affection, rather than the political. I know that I express the feeling of the president—I certainly express my own feeling—I think I express the prevailing opinion of the people of the United States when I say that we welcome the time has substantially come, it not quite come, when the Filipinos can be allowed to sever the mere formal political tie remaining and become an independent people."

I am myself in favor of Philippine independence. I trust the day is very close at hand when it can be formally accomplished and when it will no longer be necessary for your children in your public schools to write essays and make orations on the aspirations of your people and when all the energy of your people can be devoted to the further development of the fine civilization which is already inaugurated there."

Mission Well Satisfied. Baker expressed the hope that as the Philippine mission toured the United States and as members made addresses they would describe to the American people their desire to be free.

The mission, after leaving the war department, called at the White House to pay its respects to Secretary Tamm. It has left no further communication for the president.

"Very satisfactory and very encouraging," was the comment of President Quezon of the Philippine senate on the attitude of President Wilson toward independence of the islands as given the mission by Secretary Baker.

Run-Away Logging Train Kills Five In Mad Plunge

Hogansville, Wash., April 4.—A logging train ran away and plunged into a ravine near Melrose, Wash., yesterday afternoon, killing five.

The dead are: George Clemmons, superintendent of the Clemmons Logging company; Walter Hayes, Aberdeen, Wash.; C. A. Selby, Seattle; P. J. Yennie, Tacoma; William W. H. Jones, Engineer John Dodding, both of Mount Vernon, Wn., and brakeman Kinsler were injured, perhaps fatally.

Divorce Seeker Alleges Hubby Called Her "Cat"

Portland, Or., April 4.—Mrs. Catherine A. Murray objects to being called an "old cat." That is her main reason for filing a suit for divorce.

Numerous other charges, however, are laid at Patrick Murray's door. Among the alleged causes for freedom are:

"Pat is a 'tightwad'; he has \$9000 in cash and considerable property, yet he only allows his wife \$18 a month for running the household."

He refuses to pay his bills. He not only compels his wife to split the wood, but carry it upstairs as well.

### ELKS INSTALL NEW OFFICERS FOR YEAR

#### Program And Banquet Also Features Of Meeting Held Thursday Night

The deep interest taken by members of Salem lodge No. 256, B. P. O. E., was shown again last evening when the lodge room was crowded to its full capacity to witness the annual installation of officers.

Besides the work of installation, the evening's program included several musical numbers and a Johnny Jones Elks banquet. One of the unique features of the evening was the presentation of an impressive banquet by C. B. Clancy to the new exalted ruler.

The Salem lodge of Elks now has an active membership of close to 900 and it is proposed to make this just an even 1000 by the end of the year. In proportion to the size of the city, this would give Salem one of the largest memberships in the northwest, where the Elks lodges are especially strong.

The Salem lodge of Elks as now organized for the coming year is as follows:

Charles R. Archer, exalted ruler. John W. Todd, extended leading knight. George H. Riethe, esteemed lecturing knight. B. G. Drage, esteemed lecturing knight.

Harry J. Wislender, secretary. Chester M. Cox, treasurer. E. W. Hazard, trustee for three years.

The new exalted ruler announced the appointment of the following officers: Esquire, Dr. C. B. O'Neill; Tyler, A. L. Prazar; chaplain, George E. Halvorsen; inner guard, O. L. McDonald; chairman of the orchestra, Charles J. Kurth; organist, B. W. Parker.

Harry J. Wendorsh, who was succeeded by Charles A. Archer as exalted ruler, will represent the grand lodge this summer at Atlantic City.

The committee appointments are as follows: Big brother committee—August Hockstein, Fred A. Nixon, S. M. Endroit.

New member of house committee—E. A. Kurtz. Finance—O. J. Myers, Fred Durbin, Sam Adolph.

Relief—A. H. Moore, W. L. West, F. H. Spensar. Entertainment—Charles E. Knowland, Leo G. Page, W. H. Frank. Editors of Elks—H. S. Bushland, A. S. Benson, Fred C. Sefton, E. F. Smith, George C. L. Snyder, Arthur W. Lawrence.

### Four American Aviators Die When Planes Collide In Air

Treves, April 3.—Four American aviators were killed and two injured today when two airplanes collided near Wittlich, falling in fragments and bringing down two others out of control. One of the machines fell in the Moselle river, the others landing in a field.

The dead are: Lieutenant Brayton Nichols of Worcester, Mass.; Lieutenant Roderick D. Cox, of New bit, Mass.; Lieutenant Charles E. Volk of New York.

Private John J. Salerno of New York. The injured are: Lieutenant W. O. Morris, of Concord, Mass.; Sergeant W. P. Carson of Burton, W. Va.

### British Permanent Allies Of French, Says Lloyd George

Paris, April 4.—Premier Lloyd George in an interview published in The Petit Parisien today declared that should Germany ever again attempt to attack France, the British will again fight on the side of the French. He denied rumors of discussions between the British and French delegates in the peace conference.

"Naturally there have been discussions," the premier was quoted as saying, "those are necessary to reach an agreement on any question. But Anglo-French treaties was never more complete than it is now."

"The British did not come to fight beside the French merely that France should enjoy comparative tranquility for a limited time. They insist that France have complete security for the future. The ferocious beast is tamed now, but should she ever try to bite again, France will find Britain beside her."

### MEXICAN EXILES SAY MOVE ON TO INVOLVE TWO NATIONS IN WAR

#### Small But Powerful Minority Seeks To Embroil U. S. And Mexico.

Chicago, April 4.—Declaring that a small, selfish but very powerful minority in the United States and Mexico is still seeking to embroil the two republics in war, three Roman Catholic archbishops exiled with 30,000 of their parishioners from Mexico, today appealed for moderation in dealings between the two nations.

The clerics who say they were obliged to leave their home land because of indignities heaped upon them by the Carranza government, still insist that their faith in Mexico is absolute. Their statement shows fear that there is danger of a clash between this country and Mexico being precipitated by the plottings of those who would benefit by such a war.

Machinations Rife. The appeal, signed by Francis Orozco Jimenez, archbishop of Guadalajara, Leopold Ruiz, archbishop of Michoacan, and Francis Plancaet, archbishop of Linares, wards the rank and file of the United States and Mexico of the insidious machinations of those who still seek to fan old flames, rekindle old hatred and obscure the interests of the common people.

"In Mexico anarchy is abetted by a few aliens; and our people are aggrieved by unscrupulous foreign intervention in their domestic concerns and indignity which a proud and sovereign race cannot lightly endure," reads the pronouncement. "The purpose of these activities is made plain by a press which is filled with the portents of a new war, the work of a small group of heartless and thoughtless men."

Self-determination Asked. Though in exile and bitter against the Carranzista government, which they declare, has to date confiscated church property valued at one billion dollars in gold, the archbishops believe that Mexico should be allowed to solve her own destiny.

"We appeal to the citizens of the United States and Mexico to have foreboreness," continued the statement, "lest the amity which just men desire to preserve and foster be disrupted by the evil forces arrayed against it."

The archbishop of Guadalajara, last July condemned to death by a Carranza tribunal but spared at the request of state department and banished from the country, will again enter Mexico in a few weeks. The other clerics and 30,000 refugees scattered, expect to remain away until a stable government offers them protection and permission to return.

### BOARD OF CONTROL IS SCENE OF NEAR SCRAP

#### Wordy Battle Between Kay And Lazarus Nearly Ends In Fistic Encounter.

In a meeting of the Board of Control yesterday afternoon came the dramatic climax of a long controversy and a year or more of bitter ill-will over an unpaid claim alleged to be due to Architect Edgar Lazarus, of Portland. Mr. Lazarus, it will be recalled, was awarded work on the new wing of the state asylum, among other features being a ventilating system. The drawings and specifications for this work were worked out by Mr. Lazarus, but on the ground that his plans called for a greater appropriation than was provided, the system was never installed. The architect presented a bill for \$114,95, which figure was considered to be exorbitant by the board of control, who, after a thorough investigation, decided that he was entitled to the sum of \$83,427, and on his making a hot protest he was virtually informed that he could take that amount or nothing. This started a "grunch" which has never abated, and which nearly culminated yesterday afternoon in bloodshed as the architect and the recording angel only knew what might have been the bloody denouement had not Governor Olcott intervene between them, and with the assistance of Dr. R. E. L. Steiner, prevented an old-fashioned scrap. Following the encounter, and after a conference with his attorney in the corridors, Mr. Lazarus concluded to accept the state warrant offered by the board, and thus the vitriolic incident closed.

Among those coming in on the Leviztan, with the Breast detachment No. 137 was Wesley Howard, of Corvallis.

Aboard the Henderson, with the 104th infantry, was Kenneth Miller, McMinnville.

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### MORE OREGON TROOPS LANDED AT NEW YORK

Boys From Salem And Other Parts Of State Return With 91st Units.

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### GOVERNMENT TROOPS AND SPARTACANS IN DEADLY STREET RIOT

#### Deadly Battles Result From Uprising In Stuttgart On Thursday.

Berlin, April 3.—Deadly street battles are raging in Stuttgart between Spartacans and government troops, according to advices received here late today. The casualties are said to be heavy.

The Spartacans are reported to have captured the principal hand grenade depot in Stuttgart. Numerous small bands of the radicals have been cut off from the main bodies and captured.

The government has again temporarily restored order in the Ruhr district by rushing sixty thousand troops into that region.

The general strike continues to spread however, and had extended to Göttingen, Ludwigshaven and Friedrichshafen.

Ludwigshaven is one the west bank of the Rhine opposite Mannheim, and is within the zone occupied by the French. Friedrichshafen is in Württemberg on Lake Constance. Göttingen is in Prussia, sixty miles southeast of Hanover.

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### LENINE'S PROPOSAL VIRTUAL ULTIMATUM

#### (United Press Staff Correspondent) (Copyright, 1919, by the United Press)

Paris, April 4.—Premier Leine's informal "peace" proposal to the allies is virtually an ultimatum, it was learned from an authoritative source today.

The Russian bolshevik leader is known to have suggested a time limit for acceptance of his offer, beyond which he would not undertake to abstain from consideration of Chancellor Scheidemann's proposal as conveyed to Foreign Minister Trotsky. The time limit is understood to be a matter of only a few weeks.

(The German government was reported unofficially recently to have sent Karl Kautsky to Russia for the purpose of studying the situation there and possibly affecting an alliance between Germany and Russia.)

The recent state in the house of commons by Andrew Bonar Law, spokesman for the British government denying the allies have received a formal peace offer from Russia, is technically correct. The fact remains, however, that the peace conference has a definite statement of Russia's position bearing Leine's signature. This is, in effect, a concrete declaration of terms of peace to which the soviet government would be willing to listen—and, as such, may be considered as an actual offer on Leine's part.

William Bullitt, official agent for the American delegates, who brought the document from Russia to Paris, obviously is not qualified to negotiate with the allies for the bolsheviks. The proposal, however, is in the allies' hands, for them to take or leave, as they see fit.

Further, it is possible to assert that it has not been read with entire lack of sympathy.

There is reason to believe that the secrecy with which not only Leine's statement but the reports of Bullitt

### False Impression Of Japan Given In Movies Is Claim

Tokio, Mar. 1.—(By Mail)—Through the movies, text books and the stage, Americans are given a false impression of modern Japan, according to Ishikawa, the Yoruichi staff correspondent to America.

The geography text books used in American schools, he says, describe Japan as a country of Asiatic barbarians.

A greater number of movie plays, Ishikawa asserts, are only designed to create ill feeling between Japan and the United States. He particularly mentioned "The Likelihood," which, he said, is still appearing on a New York stage, although it was prohibited in London many years ago.

### Paul B. Wallace Of Salem At National Capital

Washington, April 4.—Paul B. Wallace of Salem is here for a few days and will take a motoring trip in the east before returning home. He arrived from overseas with the Twenty-sixth division having fully recovered from machine gun wounds received in the Argonne advance.

Lieutenant Roy W. Keel, former secretary to Mayor Baker of Portland, in obtaining passports for a trip to Mexico, as salesman for American goods. He failed to get overseas and has just obtained his discharge.

### NEW GERMANY HAS ALMOST HOPELESS TROUBLE LEGACY

#### Call Is For Construction Of Government Responsible For Past Errors.

(United Press Staff Correspondent) Berlin, March 20.—(By Mail)—Germany's infant republic was born with no silver spoon, unless liberation from military and Kaiserism can be interpreted in that way. The new republic begins with the most hopeless legacy of troubles that any nation ever faced.

So interwoven and tangled are the problems which the new republic's cabinet is undertaking and struggling against, while new ones rise constantly, that the words of a German, who said, "There's not a man in all Germany who sees at one time more than half of the maze of dangers that might explode and over throw the state," are true.

Many in Despair. There are those who say the situation is beyond solution. They hold that the state of the past should be wiped clean, and that the German state should start all over again, much as Russia tried to do. The government realizes this would mean disaster and complete loss of confidence in any form of government, and struggles to avoid it.

It is hard enough to change the form of government when things are running smoothly, and when all parties agree to it. It is hard enough to begin a republic where no government existed at all before. The Germans find their task made far more difficult by the reason that their country was completely reorganized, and the new regime has to answer immediately for all the errors of failures and mistakes of the old.

Germany Huge "Popper." Germany today can be visualized perhaps as a popper full of pop-corn, most of which has popped but some of which has not and is still going off. Each explosion shakes the whole mass. This unstable state is held together only by the walls of arms that still surround it, for many are they who would like to escape from the burden.

Germany's new government is tackling the problems with optimism and hope—confidence is hardly possible, as yet. Right here it might be said the new German government is one without brilliant leaders and is without great men in it. The Germans themselves say, and do so without regret in their voices. The Germans have now a group of great men, and seem glad to trust to mediocre, honest citizens.

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### President Wilson Confined To Bed With A Severe Cold

By Carl D. Groat (United Press Staff Correspondent) Paris, April 4.—President Wilson was suffering from a severe cold today, necessitating his temporary absence from the conference. It was announced, however, that prompt treatment is expected to effect his quick recovery.

The "big four" met in the "White House," Colonel House representing the president. King Albert of Belgium, who conferred yesterday with Wilson, Premier Clemenceau and President Poincare, was invited to the meeting. It was expected that Belgium's claim to priority in the matter of reparations would be given official consideration and that Belgian territorial questions would be considered simultaneously with the problem of Germany's western zone cession boundaries.

Washington, April 4.—President Wilson, suddenly taken ill with a severe cold last night, is confined to his bed today. Admiral Grayson, his private physician, called the White House this morning.

Grayson added that there was no need for worry at present.



LIBERTY BOND QUOTATIONS New York, April 4.—Liberty bonds were quoted here today as follows: 2 1/2's, 99.92; first 4's, 95, up .08; second 4's, 93.76, up .12; first 4 1/2's, 95.06, off .04; second 4 1/2's, 93.60, up .04; third 4's, 95.84, up .10; fourth 4 1/2's, 93.84.