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PARIS NOW WAITS HUN DECISION

Tension in French Capital Recalls Anxious Hours of Waiting At Outbreak of War in 1914.

GERMAN ENVOYS HISSED ON EVE OF DEPARTURE

With Last Concession Made, Allies Not So Sure Enemy Will Sign; Peace Or More War Foremost Question.

By Ed S. Ferguson.
(United Press staff correspondent.)
Paris, June 17.—With peace or war to be determined before seven o'clock Monday evening, the tension in Paris today recalled that preceding the opening of hostilities in August 1914.
Count Brockdorff-Rantau was en route to Weimar today with a retinue of seventy three German peace delegates to present to the national assembly the allies' reply to the counter proposals submitted at Versailles yesterday evening. The feeling of the French people was illustrated by the fact that when the Germans left the Hotel Des Reservoirs for their special train at 9:45 last night a crowd of 4000 gathered outside, hooting and insulting the envoy representatives. This was the first demonstration against them in the weeks they have been in France.
Acceptance Not Certain
The latest advices from Berlin and Weimar reiterated that Germany will not accept the revised treaty unless it contains important modifications. Through unofficial press reports the German government has been apprised from time to time of the alterations and in this way already is in possession of the main concessions.
The optimism in allied peace circles, which had been so noticeable in the last few days, had changed today to a feeling of uncertainty as to whether the Germans will find the modifications sufficient to warrant acceptance. This attitude was reflected by the public which eagerly scanned every printed word touching on the situation. There were no demonstrations in the streets and the people went about their business.
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RETURN OF BANDITS TO BORDER FEARED

Villistas Expected To Begin Campaign To Drive The Americans Out.

El Paso, Texas, June 17.—(United Press.)—Fears were felt here today that Villistas snarling under defeat at the hands of the American expedition into Mexico may begin a campaign of extermination against United States citizens in Chihuahua. Americans with interests in Chihuahua met here to debate the question of recalling their men and closing down mines and smelters in view of almost certain attack from the Villistas.
The excitement over the American crossing into Juarez and brief skirmishes with the bandit forces has subsided today. The 3,000 United States soldiers who dispersed the Villistas, killing or wounding upwards of fifty before returning to this side of the border, were resting at Fort Bliss. No early return of the Villistas to the attack on Juarez is anticipated. The American border troops are ready again to cross into Mexico to protect residents of El Paso from any fighting in Juarez.
The suggestion that the crossing was primarily to aid the Carranzistas against the Villistas was refuted by General Erwin.
"The punitive movement ordered and satisfactorily carried out Sunday night and Monday morning was certainly not with the purpose of aiding the Carranzistas but to inflict punishment upon the Villistas for having fired across the river into American soil, wounding and killing American people," said General Erwin.
Announcement of the exact American casualties in the two engagements with the Villistas was to be made today at
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Public Service Commission Target of Bitter Criticism By Council; Recall Broached

The Public service commission of Oregon came in for a few uncomplimentary remarks at the session of the city council last evening when its report was read denying the city's petition asking for signalling devices to be erected by the Southern Pacific railroad where it crosses Capitol street on Union.
Alderman Wiest said the decision of the commission against the city was nothing but distorted facts, and that with such decisions being handed down it was time for a recall of the three commissioners, Fred G. Buchtel, H. H. Corey and Fred A. Williams.
Objection was made to the way the Commission handed it to the city of Salem, intimating that the city was not enforcing its own speed laws and that the accidents that had been happening at Capitol and Union streets were due to the negligence of city officials.
City Will Appeal
The commission referred to the crossing as "one of the most open crossings in Salem." Also it stated that the Southern Pacific trains never exceeded a speed of more than ten miles an hour and intimated that the railroad was in no way negligent.
Alderman Wiest made a motion that the city appeal from the decision of the public service commission in refusing signalling devices at the crossing which was carried. Alderman Vandervoort said that the commission was a dead one and that it should be called "The railroad protective association."
C. M. Roberts handed in his resignation as alderman from the fifth ward. He said his business was such that he could not give the time required of an alderman. Alderman Schunke suggested the name of Louis Plesther as a successor to Mr. Roberts and this met with the approval of the aldermen, but the suggestion was made that all vacancies in the council from the several wards be filled at the next meeting.

Wilson To Open Battle For League Of Nations During Stay In Belgium

By Robert J. Bender.
(United Press staff correspondent.)
Washington, June 17.—President Wilson plans to open his fight for the peace treaty and league of nations in Belgium during his visit there.
Assuming the Germans will sign the treaty on schedule he now expects to leave France for home June 24 or 25.
This means he should be back at his desk in Washington, July 4 or 5. It was officially announced today that after he has delivered his treaty message to congress he will start out on his tour of the country within two or three days and the tour will continue for approximately three weeks.

MILWAUKEE MUNITION PLANT TO BEVIVE BICYCLING

Milwaukee, June 17.—The Briggs & Stratton Co., who during the war operated a munition plant for the production of hand grenades, have purchased plant attachment for bicycles from the A. O. Smith Corporation of the same city.
Production has already begun and several extensive additions are being made to the plant in anticipation of the renewed interest in the once popular sport of bicycling.

ABE MARTIN

When Hon. ex-Editor Cale Plinkert declared today that the Germans were morally obligated to sign the peace treaty, it was just what was coming. If he just returns no questions will be asked.

KNOX OPENS FIGHT ON ATTEMPT TO COMBINE LEAGUE WITH TREATY

Senator Warns Democrats He Will Oppose Co-ordination To End.

PEACE CONFERENCE IS CRITICISED FOR DELAY

Solon Would Know Whether Covenant Takes Power To Make War Away.

Washington, June 17.—Warning demagogues against any stand that would deny the senate or the American people opportunity of mature deliberation upon the league of nations, Senator Knox today opened the senate fight over his resolution to virtually separate the peace treaty and the league covenant.
"If democratic senators constitute a party to oppose all efforts to secure full consideration of this great matter; if they do not come to listen and obey the mere fiat of a partisan executive; if they remain firm in their stand against the constitutional rights of the senate fully and fairly to consider this question upon its merits; and if they persist in their denial of the sovereign right of the people to deliberate upon and reach a decision concerning it; if this is to be the party attitude of senators who suppose, then I say here and now in all solemnity, I shall be the last to shrink from the issue which they so force," said Knox.
"And I will say further, if to stand for the rights of the senate as a sovereign part of the treaty making power is a manifestation of partisanship, then I am a partisan; if to demand that the people of the United States shall have a right to make up their own minds as to whether or not we shall put ourselves under the domination of the balance of the world, then, thank God, I am a partisan."
Declaring his object is to obtain immediate peace for the United States and the world, Knox said:
"What I want now to secure is what the whole people of the United States ardently wish—peace, immediate permanent peace. Six long weary months have been consumed by the peace conference in Paris by merely drawing the peace terms that are to be forced upon our enemies, six long weary months of secret quibbling, bartering and quarreling.
"And still we wait. Meanwhile Europe is in turmoil, to the point of anarchy and chaos. Our own country remains in a status of war, under irksome laws limited to our freedom. Influences hostile to our government, and its institutions thrive and propagate. The people are torn by uncertainties and industry and commerce lag and wait."
Knox admitted his resolution would in effect sever the treaty and the covenant, but said that an "unnamed member" of the American peace delegation had been quoted in press dispatches from Paris saying that "while the covenant is part of the treaty, it does not actually deal with the terms of peace and therefore is optional."
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CALIFORNIA PHONES CRIPPLED BY STRIKE

San Francisco Girls Join With Los Angeles Sisters And Walk Out.

San Francisco, June 17.—(United Press.)—"Hello central" brought no response in thousands of San Francisco homes and offices today for the "hello girls," true to their threat, stopped work in large numbers at 7 a. m. The girls demanded a wage scale of \$2 to \$4 a day, recognition of the union and promise that union members will not be victimized. Their decision to strike in sympathy with Los Angeles girls came suddenly last night.
Girls pretty and otherwise, thronged the sidewalks in front of the exchange. The girls were kept moving by their own leaders in conformity with the law.
The girls declared that only six girls went to work at the local exchange at 7 a. m. and that only a few long distance and information operators were working.
The strike will spread throughout California by noon, officials of the union said. Locals at Sacramento, San Jose, Vallejo, Santa Rosa, Fresno and Stockton called strikes effective today.
When electrical workers went out in sympathy with the girls press association wires were seriously threatened. Only one man was left to take care of the many leased wires where 15 men ordinarily are kept busy. Short time news credits, known as "P. N. T.," were rendered impracticable.
Sacramento, Cal., June 17.—Electric workers employed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in Sacramento were at work this morning although J. P. Noble, district manager, said it was possible they would go out at any time.
The wire men are said to be waiting word from the San Francisco headquarters of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. A conference between the union officials and the general officers of the telephone company will be held in San Francisco Thursday according to Noble.
Portland, Or., June 17.—Officials of the telephone girls union here told the United Press this morning that they had received no orders from the international organization to strike.
Operators in Portland will not walk out unless the international so orders them, union leaders added.

ENEMY TO ACCEPT OR REJECT TERMS-FRIDAY

Hun National Assembly Expected To Make Decision In Three Days.

(United Press staff correspondent.)
Weimar, June 17.—Germany's decision on signing the revised peace treaty probably will be reached Friday and be communicated to the allies in Versailles the following day.
The cabinet is scheduled to meet immediately after the arrival of Foreign Minister Brockdorff-Rantau tomorrow and determine what actions of the treaty shall be referred to certain bodies of experts. The national assembly is expected to begin discussions Wednesday. The cabinet and its experts will make their reports after the ministers consult their party leaders. The national assembly, according to present plans will vote after three days consideration of the new terms Brockdorff-Rantau will at once return to Versailles and publish Germany's answer, probably on Saturday.
While the assembly generally follows the advice of its leaders, government officials frankly admit they are doubtful as to the attitude of the body. The cabinet, however, is still backing Brockdorff-Rantau's position that the treaty will not be signed unless the modifications are of sufficient importance.

Phez Company's Requested Injunction Against Salem Fruit Union Is Not Allowed

Judge George G. Bingham, late yesterday afternoon handed down a decision denying the injunction asked for by the Phez company against the Salem Fruit Union. The Phez company had brought injunction proceedings praying that the Salem Fruit Union be enjoined from disposing of its leagueries to any other party besides the Phez company.
The application for the preliminary injunction was denied but leave given the Phez company to renew its application on an amended complaint. It is understood that Fred J. Schmidt, of the Phez company, who is now on his way home from New York, will file the amended complaint upon his arrival in Salem next Friday.
Buss on Old Contract
The Phez company sued the Union on the old 1917 contract providing for three cents a pound for lemons for the 1917 crop and \$61.50 a ton for the crops of 1918, 1919, 1920 and 1921. An affidavit was filed by Robert C. Paulus in which he claims that in 1918 a new contract was entered into orally, but which was not reduced to a written contract. H. S. Gile, president of the Phez Co., filed an affidavit declaring the statements in the affidavit of Mr. Paulus were untrue, in so far as they referred to any contract taking the place of the original 1917 contract.
It is claimed by the Salem Fruit Union that after the oral contract had been entered into with the Phez company, that it entered into a new contract with the stockholders in conformity with the oral contract. This contract is designated exhibit "C" in the case.
Contract Exhibit "C"
Regarding this exhibit "C," Judge Bingham decrees: "On the argument it was introduced by the Salem Fruit Union that exhibit 'C' had been sub-

Sleep Marred Governor's Air Voyage To South; He Didn't See Mount Shasta

Sacramento, Cal., June 17.—Governor Ben W. Olcott of Oregon arrived at Mather Field last night after making the journey from Portland by airplane with Lieutenant Colonel Henry Watson.
The trip was marred, declared Governor Olcott, because he took a nap while flying over northern California and missed seeing Mount Shasta.
Governor Stephens will greet the governor from Oregon today.
Milton Kepper, president of the Oregon Aerial Club was a passenger in another of the trio of planes that returned last night.
The strike will spread throughout California by noon, officials of the union said. Locals at Sacramento, San Jose, Vallejo, Santa Rosa, Fresno and Stockton called strikes effective today.

ALLIES KNOCKING AT GATES OF PETROGRAD

Outer Defenses Of City Reduced And Armies Are Within Few Miles.

Stockholm, June 17.—(United Press.)—The outer defenses of Petrograd have practically been reduced and allied forces are advancing upon the former Russian capital, according to dispatches received from Helsinki today.
Kranstadt, the great naval base lying 30 miles west of Petrograd, was set on fire by artillery bombardments Sunday, it was reported. Shortly afterward seven bolshevik warships left their anchorage and surrendered to the British squadrons. At about the same time the big fortress of Krasnaya Gorka hoisted the white flag, followed by several lesser forts.
Allied troops were immediately landed to the eastward of Krasnaya Gorka and began marching upon Peterhof (12 miles west of Petrograd), according to the dispatches.
Up to Saturday it was said more than 22,000 bolshevik prisoners had been taken in the Petrograd region, in addition to 237 machine guns, 67 field guns, six armored trains and vast quantity of ammunition.
San Diego Girls Quit
San Diego, Cal., June 17.—About 65 percent of the telephone girls employed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph here left their switchboards in a body at eight o'clock this morning.
Oakland Hard Hit
Oakland, Cal., June 17.—Out of 300 telephone operators in Oakland, less than 100 are working today.
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ALLIES SET FOR MARCH OVERRHINE

Everything In Readiness To Launch Sweeping And Decisive Invasion If Huns Refuse Peace Terms.

FIRST DRIVE WOULD CUT GERMANY IN TWO PARTS

Entire Offensive Covering Front From Holland To Swiss Border Mapped Out To Smallest Detail.

By Henry Wood.
(United Press staff correspondent.)
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Paris, June 17.—If Germany refuses to sign the peace treaty, the allied armies will launch immediately one of the greatest and most decisive campaigns in history.
While the public generally is inclined to think of an advance into Germany under present conditions as little more than a triumphal parade in which an assistance will be met, Marshal Foch has been obliged to be prepared for any emergency. The allies would move forward with every detail worked out for a campaign extending from the Dutch to the Swiss frontier—designed to give Germany a death blow in the shortest time—against the maximum force which the unified allied commands know the Germans might throw into action in a crisis.
Three Drives Planned
The allies' campaign, according to the highest French military critics and authorities would embrace three front routes of invasion, designed to break down all possible defenses, seize the most important points in Germany and cut that country completely in two.
The allies left wing, consisting of the Belgian army, with the British protecting its right flank at the Cologne bridgehead, would drive eastward from Düsseldorf into the network of railroads of which Essen, only a day's march away, is the center. With the British army in position to create a flanking movement from the north, should this be necessary, Germany would lose at the outset not only her great Krupp ordnance and munitions works at Essen, but the entire surrounding mineral basin. This would open the way immediately to Minden, where Germany has constructed a great fortress for defending her plains from entrance through Westphalia. Without doubt Germany would make her supreme resistance against the allies left wing before Minden.
Yanks Would Hit Center
Simultaneously, however, the allies' (Continued on page three)

HALVORSEN ELECTED BY LARGE MAJORITY

Heavy Voting Late In Day Gives Lead Of 187 To Clark's Opponent.

George E. Halvorsen was elected school director of school district No. 24 which includes Salem at the election held yesterday. The vote was 288 for Mr. Halvorsen and 101 for H. L. Clark who was a candidate to succeed himself.
The voting started in light but along towards 6 o'clock until the closing of the polls there was a steady stream of voters. In casting their ballots it was noticeable in counting that one candidate would receive half a dozen straight in regular order and then the vote would shift to the other candidate for half a dozen or more votes straight, indicating that friends of each candidate voted in bunches.
Each school director serves as chairman of the board during the last year of his term. Hence succeeding Mr. Clark as chairman of the board for the past year will be Walter C. Winslow. E. T. Barnes would succeed as chairman as the senior director, but it is probable that Mr. Barnes will resign as he will be absent from the city most of the time for the coming school year.
The school board for Salem as it is now constituted for this coming year is as follows:—Walter C. Winslow, chairman; E. T. Barnes, Harley O. White, Chauncey Bishop, and George E. Halvorsen.



PEACHES BRING HIGH PRICE

Pendleton, Or., June 17.—Contracts on a basis of \$127 a ton are being offered to prune growers of the Milken-Freewater district, this county, according to reports here. The price is a record and the crop is large and of good quality. In the same district it is reported that cherry growers are receiving \$200 a ton for Bing cherries.