

BRITISH NOTE APPROVES OF PEACE LEAGUE SUGGESTIONS

Latest Communication From Downing Street To Washington Indicates That Wilson's Plan Is Acceptable To Great Britain

MESSAGE POINTS OUT NEED OF GUARANTEES FOR PACTS

Declares That Until Germany Ceases Callous Disregard For Treaties World Must Take Steps To Safeguard Them

WASHINGTON, January 18.—A note, signed on behalf of the Entente Allies by Arthur J. Balfour, the British foreign secretary, amplifying the note of the Entente sent from Paris in reply to the peace note of President Wilson, was handed yesterday to the State department by the British ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice.

The new note, which deals more specifically with the suggestion of the President that a world's league to enforce peace should be formed at the conclusion of the war, takes the position that mere international treaties will guarantee nothing so long as there exists a Germany which exalts might over right and which refuses to be bound by its own solemnly entered into conventions and agreements.

Those who think that the world's peace is to be ensured through international treaties have ill learned the lessons taught by recent history," says the British note, relative to the suggestion by the President that "peace may be nearer than we suppose."

Continuing, Mr. Balfour wrote: "So long as Germany remains the Germany which overran and barbarously ill-treated the country it was specifically pledged to defend there can be no security placed in the German agreement of peace."

"While Germany shows this callous regard for her treaties, no state and no regard for right can be secured without some better protection than a treaty, however, solemnly entered into."

The note asserts that Belgium is not the only victim of the German reign of terror, which is the German method of making war.

Great Britain, says the British foreign secretary, desires peace, but it does not believe that any peace secured at the present time would be a durable peace "unless the aggressive aims of the Central Powers can be called into disrepute among their own people and unless the existing causes of international unrest may be removed or materially weakened."

"Behind international law and treaties must be some form of international sanction, devised to give pause to the hardest aggressor. "The expulsion of the Ottomans from Europe will be as much a contribution towards the permanent peace of Europe as will the restoration of Alsace-Lorraine to France or any other of the territorial changes indicated in the Allies' note."

Germany stood aloof while the United States and Great Britain tried by treaties to make sure that no quarrel should be allowed to develop to mar the peace which both nations desired to make permanent, the British secretary reminds the state department, and at the same time the German historians were preaching the splendors of war.

Belgium today stands not so much as a victim of war as an example to the world of what may happen to any small state depending upon treaties for security. The British statesman declared his belief in the note that upon the success of the Entente Allies depends

TEUTON RAIDER LOOSE IN ATLANTIC Hits British and French Shipping Hard

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, January 18.—News from London yesterday substantiating previous rumors that a German raider had slipped through the blockading squadrons and was operating in the South Atlantic, caused a tremendous sensation in shipping and marine insurance circles, driving the underwriters' rate upon vessels and cargoes for West India and South American ports from two and a half to ten per cent.

Further uneasiness was created when the British consul at Philadelphia announced that on at least two of the ships reported captured by the raider were Americans, passengers and as members of the crew. In all, sixty-three Americans are known to have been aboard the Georgian and the King George, which two ships are in the list of those destroyed, according to the London reports.

The London despatches state that the raider eluded the British patrols early in December. She is described as well armed and provisioned, and as having already accomplished a large amount of damage to the British and French shipping in South Atlantic waters.

Eight British and two French merchant vessels are believed to have been sunk in the last few days in the South Atlantic by this raider. Two other vessels are thought to have been captured. Hints of the fate of the missing twelve ships, whose failure to reach destination has been watched with anxiety, have come from that part of the sea where the unknown vessel is believed to be operating now.

The British steamers are the Dramatic, the Radnorshire, the Minch, the Netherby Hall, the Mount Temple, the King George, the Georgian and the Voltaire. The French victims are the Nante and Antier, and two vessels reported captured are the St. Theodore and Yarrowdale.

The whereabouts of the captured vessels are not known. The raider is described as a 4000-ton, very fast vessel, well armed, with torpedo tubes, her funnel painted black, and two masts.

A warning last Friday that there was a raider loose on the seas placed her probable field of operations then as latitude 7 south, longitude 23 west.

The British admiral announced December 8 that a disguised German of the mercantile type had been intercepted by a British patrol boat of Scotland and then permitted to proceed, under the impression that it was the Dutch steamer Gamma.

Steamers mentioned in the despatch above as sunk or captured are as follows, according to the latest maritime registers here:

Dramatic—5415 tons, built at Glasgow 1914, owned by Charante Steamship Company, Ltd.; home port, Liverpool.

Radnorshire—4310 tons, built at Sunderland 1913, owned by Royal Mail Steam Packet Company; home port, London.

Minch—5041 tons, built at Glasgow, Scotland, 1896, and owned by the Anglo-American Telegraph Company; home port, London. (This is probably the vessel referred to above as the "Minch.")

Netherby Hall—4461 tons, built at Newcastle 1915, owned by Ellerman Line, Ltd.; home port, London.

Mount Temple—5702 tons, built at Newcastle 1901, and owned by Canadian Pacific Railway, with home port at Liverpool.

King George—3862 tons, built 1906 at Middleboro, owned by the Freshfield Steamship Company, Ltd.; home port, Glasgow.

Voltaire—5618 tons, built at Glasgow 1907, and owned by the Lamport & Holt Company, Ltd.; home port, Liverpool.

Georgian—3318 tons, built at Belfast by Harlan Wolf, in 1890, and owned by the Leyland Line of Liverpool.

Yarrowdale—492 tons, built at Newcastle 1912, and owned by Mackell Steamship Company, Ltd., with home port in Glasgow.

and among the attendants. The services will take place under the auspices of the Capital, but the body will not be placed on public view. Congress plans to adjourn for the day, and the departments will close on Saturday out of respect to the naval hero. President Wilson has sent a special message to congress announcing the death and paying eloquent tribute to Admiral Dewey.

Prinz Adelbert Is Sold Under Hammer (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, January 18.—The big liner Prinz Adelbert of the Hamburg-American line, which was captured by a British war vessel at the beginning of the European war, was sold yesterday at auction on the order of the prize court which condemned the vessel. The steamship brought 152,000 pounds.

Morgan Will Float Huge British Loan (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, January 18.—Another huge British loan is to be floated in the United States by the firm of J. P. Morgan & Company, it was announced here yesterday. The loan will be for \$250,000,000 in short term convertible notes. A country-wide organ to offer the notes to individual participants in the big loan. The notes will bear five and a half per cent interest, and at the price at which they will be put on the market will actually yield about six per cent. They will be secured by high grade collateral.

LOWER ALSACE IS HOTLY PRO-TEUTON (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BERLIN, January 18.—A demonstration in favor of a continuance of German rule over Alsace marked the initial session of the district parliament of Lower Alsace on January 15, according to a report of the Overseas News Agency, the semi-official German press agency.

DANISH WEST INDIES NOW UNDER STARS AND STRIPES (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, January 17.—The Danish West Indies today formally passed into the sovereignty of the United States, the treaty of purchase for \$25,000,000 having been ratified by all parties. The formal ceremonies of transfer and the raising of the United States flag will take place within ninety days. Congress is now planning the form of government.

MOUNT LASSEN BREAKS OUT INTO ERUPTION ONCE MORE (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) REDDING, California, January 17.—Mount Lassen, which has been active intermittently for two years, burst into tremendous eruption today. There was a violent internal explosion. Apparently a new crater has been formed. The eruption lasted about half an hour.

TEUTON GOVERNMENT SETS STEEL AND IRON PRICES (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BERLIN, January 17.—The German government is about to fix maximum prices on all iron and steel goods.

JANITORS OF WINDY CITY STRIKE FOR INCREASE OF PAY

Congressional Committee Wants To Make Investigation As Broad As Possible (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, January 17.—Investigation of the "leak" hearing by the house rules committee was interrupted today when the committee for thirty days and authorized it to employ counsel.

Seize Propitious Moment and Four Hundred Flat and Office Buildings Are Left To Shiver and Chatter In the Freezing Wind From Off the Lake (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) CHICAGO, January 18.—The people of Chicago never knew until yesterday what an important person a janitor is.

But when the janitors of 400 flat and office buildings in the city walked out and left the occupants of the buildings shivering, without hot air or steam, and an icy breeze blowing off Lake Michigan, they began to realize their dependence upon the much maligned king of the basement.

With the city suffering from a shortage of coal and winter in full swing, the amalgamated janitors chose the psychological moment to present a demand for a ten per cent increase in pay, and to enforce the demand they dropped their shovels and fire rakes, let their furnace fires die out, shed their janitors and sallied out, leaving the flat dwellers and office occupants to shiver and shake.

A fireless flat in Chicago in January is a potent weapon for the striking janitor.

FOOD PROBLEM OF GERMANS IS GRAVE (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) STOCKHOLM, January 17.—That the food situation in Germany has grown worse in the past six months is the experience of an Associated Press correspondent who has been visiting in Berlin.

Potatoes are very scarce. There is no cheese nor eggs, and the milk supply is shorter than ever. One cannot buy clothing, according to his experience, nor blankets, without permission of the police.

ITALY PLANS FOR BETTER DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) ROME, January 17.—The government today announced the appointment of a special committee to supervise more extensive and rapid distribution of food supplies. The committee is formed in response to complaints from some quarters of the scarcity of provisions.

MILITARY AVIATORS SEEK LOST FLIERS (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) CALEXICO, California, January 17.—Three military aeroplanes started on a flight this morning with their operators in search of Lieut. Col. Harry Bishop and Lieut. William A. Robertson, the army aviators who have been lost a week over the Mexican line.

The searching aeroplanes have already crossed the international line. Officers are convinced that the missing men will be found in the Sonora desert. An aeroplane supply base has been established at Black Butte.

BRITISH CONCERN IS AWARDED BIG CONTRACT (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, January 17.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels today awarded to Hadfield's, Ltd., a British munitions firm, contracts for armor-piercing navy projectiles for fourteen and 16-inch guns, totaling \$3,141,000.

The proposals submitted by American bidders for those projectiles demanded approximately twice as much time as the British firm and the American prices were much higher.

BERLIN CLAIMS MORE AEROPLANE VICTORIES (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BERLIN, January 17.—Official announcement today says that thirty-six Entente aeroplanes were shot down on the various battle fronts during the month of December.

PROBE OF "LEAK" IS INTERRUPTED

Congressional Committee Wants To Make Investigation As Broad As Possible (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, January 17.—Investigation of the "leak" hearing by the house rules committee was interrupted today when the committee for thirty days and authorized it to employ counsel.

This action forebodes an inquiry of the broadest character. Testimony will be resumed tomorrow before the committee, when it is probable that J. P. Morgan and other noted New York financiers will be called.

Thomas W. Lawson of Boston and Mrs. Ruth Tomlinson Visconti of Washington, to whom Lawson has referred as one of his informants, are also ready to testify.

STRANDED SUBMARINE IS TO BE SALVAGED (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) EUREKA, California, January 17.—The U. S. cruiser Milwaukee, stranded here, is lost, but the H.S., which the cruiser was trying to salvage, is to be saved.

The navy has arranged with private contractors to "jack up" the submarine, crate her and roll her across the peninsula of sand and relaunch her, at a cost of \$18,000.

The Milwaukee is to be stripped of machinery and guns and abandoned.

SWITZERLAND IN NO PERIL FROM FRENCH (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, January 18.—According to despatches to the Exchange Telegraph news agency here last night, the journals of Austria have been discussing the possibility of one of the other of the warring groups invading Switzerland.

They admit that France would have nothing to gain by such a move, but add that Germany and Austria might gain a "breathing space" by striking at the Allies through the little mountain republic. Hungarian papers have taken up the matter, and are asserting that "no nation has ever benefited by the violation of the neutrality of a smaller country."

Had the late Grand Duke Ferdinand lived, he would never have consented to the violation of Belgium for either military or dynastic reasons," says one of the leading journals of Budapest.

CENTRAL UNION'S OFFICERS NAMED (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) Former Governor Frear Elected Deacon With John M. Whitney; Reports Are Read

Officers of Central Union church were elected at the annual meeting last night. Walter F. Frear and John M. Whitney were elected deacons. Other officers are: Deaconesses, Mrs. Andrew Brown and Miss Margaret L. Hopper; counselors, Arthur F. Griffiths and Robert D. Williams; clerk, Ernest P. Chase; treasurer, Stanley Livingston; Bible school superintendent, Arthur E. Larimer; chief usher, Charles H. Atherton; trustees, Frank C. Atherton, Clarence H. Cooke and William L. Whitney.

After a chowder supper, served by a committee of the women's society, Miss Bernice Holmes sang, accompanied by Mrs. J. Oscar Phillips. Reports were read from the treasurer, clerk, treasurer of the trustees, treasurer of the church, woman's board, women's society, men's league, Christian endeavor society, Bible school superintendent and Bible school treasurer. Dr. J. H. Williams, acting minister, spoke. Reports of the election tallies were heard. The meeting concluded with the singing of the doxology.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR SALE OF LANAI ARE REPORTED (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) Again negotiations are reported to be under way for the sale of the Island of Lanai. According to rumors in the financial district, Libby, McNeill and Libby and the Hawaiian Pineapple Company are about to close a deal for the purchase of the island for \$600,000. It is reported that they will operate a huge pineapple plantation on the island. The present owner is the Lanai Company, Ltd.

YOUNG MURDERER CONFESSES CRIME

Keawi Keawekane Tells Police How He Slew Two Lads In Makiki Home (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) Keawi Keawekane, the Hawaiian boy who confessed yesterday noon that he had murdered George and Kama Kanoo January 8, was booked at the police station in the afternoon on a charge of first degree murder. The complainant was Chief of Detectives McDuffie. Keawekane will be arraigned in police court this morning, and will be bound over to the grand jury, which will meet tomorrow. He has retained Lorin Andrews as his attorney.

He is younger than any other murderer of the last sixteen years, at least, so Chief McDuffie said. He is between sixteen and seventeen years old, according to his statement and that of his mother, although the chief believes he may be older. Felisimo Hirano, one of three Filipinos hanged here October 15, 1915, was twenty-one years old.

On Chief McDuffie's desk last night there was a puzzle box. On the paste-board cover was a drawing of two dogs; on the inner cover were the same dogs and a flock of sheep. This game is played by fitting the pieces together to form a picture.

Blood On Puzzle On one of the pieces, in the midst of the forehead of a sheep, there was a drop of blood. It was because of this puzzle game, Keawekane said, that the fight began that ended in the killing of two boys, nine and thirteen years old, by one only a few years older. The drop of blood was the only stain on the children's picture puzzle.

When the Kanoo boys went to their home to take pot there, as directed by their mother, they first put water into the pot and then began to play the game with Keawekane. Kama, nine years old, said that Keawekane was a crook, and struck him with a stick, the confession went. Kama threw the larger of two ax at Keawekane. George went outside the house and got the smaller ax.

Keawekane struck him with the ax; felled Kama when he screamed, and made sure of the deaths with other ax.

Told His Own Mother This done, he told his mother, who was pecking beans on the hillside above Makiki Valley of the slaughter; changed his trousers, which had been stained with blood, and accompanied the mother of the dead boys to the house. Three dogs, which Mrs. Kanoo had heard and which were conjectured to have been the blows with the ax, were the sounds of his jumping over the bodies, so as not to step in the pools of blood, Keawekane said. This happened when he ran ahead of the mother to the house.

The two axes, ownership of which had been uncertain, belonged to the elder Kanoo, Chief McDuffie ascertained yesterday.

Keawekane made his confession without display of emotion. Chief McDuffie, City Attorney A. M. Brown, Detective Sergeant Kellert and a stenographer heard it. McDuffie said that he was told that Keawekane was ready to talk, whereupon he got the confession. When Keawekane saw his mother yesterday his eyes were dry, but tears did start when his brother appeared.

The mother had not admitted anything, although her son told her of the murder, and she said that when they saw men near the Kanoo house while Keawekane and Mrs. Kanoo were climbing the hill to the house, he exclaimed that a man with an axe in his hand was leaving it, and Mrs. Keawekane also told of having seen men nearby. Chief McDuffie said that he had combed the valley and that no such men had been seen by others.

Although he admitted that Keawekane was uneducated, Chief McDuffie said that he was intelligent enough and not without some cunning, as was evidenced by his careful tying up of the puzzle-box after the murder.

Chief McDuffie had devoted practically his whole time since the murder to the case. He ran down several clues which might have involved others, but all led to nothing, which strengthened his conviction that Keawekane was guilty. This was proved correct yesterday.

Feel Achy All Over? To ache all over in damp weather, or after taking a cold, isn't unusual, and often indicates kidney weakness. Uric acid causes many queer aches, pains and disorders of the organs. Well kidneys keep uric acid down. Tired, dizzy, nervous people would do well to try Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. They stimulate the kidneys to activity and so help clear the blood of irritating poisons.

"When Your Back Is Lame—Remember the Name." Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Backache Kidney Pills and take no other. Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists and storekeepers at 50c a box, (six boxes \$2.50) or will be mailed on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug Co., or Benson, Smith & Co., agents for the Hawaiian Islands.

BRITISH HIT GERMAN LINE NEAR ANCRE; GAIN GROUND

Berlin Reports That Assault Which London Declares Was Successful, Proved Minor Victory At Heavy Cost of Men

RUSSIANS POUND HARD AT ENEMY IN RUMANIA

German General Staff Admits That von Mackensen Has Been Forced To Withdraw His Advanced Post From Vadeni

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, January 18.—After a lengthy period of comparative quiet the British north of the Somme river struck at the German lines defending the little town of Beaucourt, on the Arras-Albert railroad, and consequently in direct line with the Allied advance in the direction of Bapaume.

The smash was effective, for the British reports tell of a six hundred yard gain over a front that extends from Beaucourt to the hamlet of Citecalonne. The Germans made desperate efforts to retake the ground lost because of its strategic advantages, but failed although they launched a number of successive waves of men against the new British trench line.

Berlin admits the retirement here, but claims that the British paid dearly in men for the ground they took. In the Rumanian theater of the war the situation, while still dark for the Entente Allies is not so bad as it has been. It is believed that the Rumanian army has now at last succeeded in withdrawing behind the protecting line of the Sereth river, and that the Russians have also been able to rush sufficient reinforcements to the fronts to hold the Teutonic columns in check, and even to assume the offensive in some sectors of that front.

Berlin yesterday admitted that the Russo-Rumanian forces on the Rumanian front made violent attacks to recapture positions recently taken from them. At Vadeni the Teuton outposts returned to their lines in the face of superior numerical strength. Elsewhere the enemy was repulsed with heavy losses.

In its reports of the fighting on the western front Berlin claims that troops from Hanoverian regiments entered the French trenches on the heights near Combles, north of Peronne, and returned with a number of prisoners.

On other fronts the fighting is not of an important character, being confined for the most part to artillery actions.

SOCIALISM COMING DECLARES SENATOR

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, January 18.—Senator Warren G. Harding of Ohio, in an address to the convention of the National Boot and Shoe Manufacturers' Association here last night, declared that the nation is "drifting unbridled and unheeding upon federal socialism." He declared that the federal ownership of railroads is the logical consequence of current processes of control, and that it is the likely, almost certain outcome. "These are not only evolutionary but revolutionary times," he said in closing.

COWBOYS SLAY GREASERS; TROOPS CHASE SLAYERS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NOGALES, Arizona, January 17.—Six Mexicans were killed early today by two American cowboys west of here when the Mexicans fired on the cowboys as they were leading back cattle "crusted" by Mexican outlaws. Utah cavalry has been dispatched to the scene.