

PEACE OF BENEFITS, BY THREE POWERS RATIFYING, PROPOSED

KNOX PLAN OMTS LEAGUE BUT REAFFIRMS DESIRE OF U. S. FOR WORLD CONCERT

Would Force Germany to Concede All Material Advantages of Pact by Threat of Presidential Proclamation Cutting Off All Commercial Inter-course if Refused; Displaces Lodge Proposal.

Washington, Dec. 20.—A redraft in the resolution by Senator Knox, republican, Pennsylvania, to declare a state of peace with Germany and to retain to the United States all material benefits that would be gained under the unratified treaty of Versailles, was approved today by the senate foreign relations committee by a vote of 7 to 3.

The measure on which senate action will be sought after the holiday recess is in the form of a joint resolution and would require that unless Germany concedes to the United States such material benefits as are contained in the treaty, commerce with German nationals could be prohibited by presidential proclamation.

Underwood Proposes Conferes.

A provision also is included reaffirming the general desire of this nation to help establish a world concert for amicable settlement of international disputes.

Give Up Ignoring Wilson.

The committee substituted the Knox proposal for a concurrent resolution previously presented by Chairman Lodge, thus apparently abandoning the effort to declare peace by a concurrent measure without the signature of the president. On adoption of the Knox resolution in the committee, Senators Lodge, Massachusetts; Borah, Idaho; Brandegee, Connecticut; Knox, Pennsylvania; Harding, Ohio; Indiana and Moses, New Hampshire, all republicans, voted in the affirmative, and Senators Hitchcock, Nebraska; Williams, Mississippi, and Pomeroy, Ohio, democrats, in the negative.

Will Call It Up in January.

It was understood to be the plan of the majority leaders to let the resolution lie over in the senate without any attempt to secure action until after the end of the recess, early in January.

While the resolution avoids accepting in any way the league of nations covenant as embodied in the treaty, it sets forth the nation's policy in that regard by quoting from a act passed by congress in 1916, calling on the president to approach the other powers with a view to establishing an international concert for preservation of peace.

Peace With Three Others O. K.

The resolution also omits any provision to ratify formally the treaty, but it seeks to establish peace between the United States and Germany by declaring the declaration of a state of war repeated and peace restored as soon as three of the great powers and Germany have ratified the treaty.

The clause designed to retain the treaty's material benefits in its general terms, but its effect would be, it was said, to confirm the title of the United States to the German ships and other property taken from the enemy.

Text of Resolution.

The text of the Knox resolution follows:

Resolved by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, that the joint resolution of congress passed April 8, 1917, "declaring a state of war exists between the Imperial German government and the government and the people of the United States and making provisions to prosecute the same" be and the same is hereby repealed, take effect upon the ratification of a treaty of peace between Germany and three of the principal allied and associated powers.

Provided, however, that unless the German government notifies the government of the United States that it acquiesces in and confirms irrevocably to the United States all understandings and covenants contained in the treaty of Versailles, conferring upon or assuring to the United States or its nationals, any rights, powers or benefits whatsoever, and concedes to the United States all rights, privileges, indemnities, reparations and advantages to which the United States would have been entitled if it were a ratifying party to the said treaty, the president of the United States shall have power, by proclamation, to prohibit commercial intercourse between the United States and Germany and the making of loans or credits and the furnishing of financial assistance or supplies to the German government, or the inhabitants of Germany, directly or indirectly, by the government of the United States, or the inhabitants of the United States.

Restores Enemy Alien Trade Curb.

"Any violation of the prohibition contained in such proclamation by the president shall be punishable as provided in section 16 of the trading with the enemy act approved October 6, 1917.

"It is further resolved that the United States reaffirms the policy expressed in the act of congress approved August 29, 1918, in the following words: "It is hereby declared to be the policy of the United States to adjust and settle its international disputes through mediation or arbitration to the end that war may be honorably avoided. It looks with apprehension and disfavor upon a general increase of armament throughout the world, and the authorization and request made in said act by the president that he 'invite all the great governments of the world to send representatives to a conference which shall be charged with the duty of formulating a plan for a court of arbitration or other tribunal to which questions between nations shall be referred for adjudication and peaceful settlement, to consider the question of disarmament and submit their recommendation to their respective governments for approval is hereby renewed."

Senate Passes

and Kellogg, republicans, and Pomeroy and Robinson, democrats.

After passing the railroad bill, the senate adopted the resolution providing for a recess of congress until Jan. 5.

The roll call on the railroad bill follows: For: Republicans—Ball, Brandegee, Colt, Cummins, Curtis, Dillingham, Edge, Elkins, Fernald, Frelinghuysen, Hale, Harding, Jones (Washington), Kellogg, Kenyon, Keyes, Knox, Lodge, McCormick, McLean, Moses, Nelson, New, Phillips, Gindler, Sherman, Smoot, Spencer, Sterling, Townsend, Wadsworth, Warren and Watson—33.

Secretary Glass Approves Butte's Postoffice Bill

Butte, Dec. 20.—Secretary of the Treasury Glass favors the bill of Congressman Evans of Missoula, appropriating \$350,000 to reconstruct the federal building in Butte, according to word received in Butte tonight. It is thought this amount will permit the reconstruction of the building to permit of taking in the forest reserve office of the Deer Lodge district now maintained downtown, and also provides a new court room, together with additional room for the postoffice. The Butte building was outgrown some time ago.

WALSH FOR COLLECTOR: WILLIAMS FOR COMPTROLLER

Washington, Dec. 20.—John Shelton Williams has again been nominated by President Wilson to be comptroller of the currency. James A. Walsh of Missoula was nominated to be collector of internal revenue for the district of Montana.

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Most of Victims Carried Down as Reef Broke Back of Tanker; 12 in Boat Drift Frigid Sea.

Life Raft Sighted With Two Men, One Jumps Overboard — Several Vessels Searching.

Marshfield, Ore., Dec. 20.—Captain A. A. Sawyer, master of the tank steamer J. A. Chanslor, quartermaster Kwik and one other member of the crew are believed to be the only survivors of the steamer wrecked late Thursday off Cape Blanco, Captain Sawyer is in the hospital at Bandon, in a critical condition as the result of exposure.

The bodies have been found, but they have not yet been identified. Other bodies are reported to have washed ashore below Bandon.

As near as can be learned from meager advices reaching here from Bandon, the Chanslor struck a submerged rock north of Cape Blanco early Thursday night and began sinking rapidly. The first boat launched containing 12 men, is said to have been the only boat to get away from the sinking vessel.

Lost When SAVED.

Two of the men aboard this boat, according to information reaching here, died from exposure Friday. Last night the other ten occupants of the lifeboat tried to make a landing in the surf near the mouth of Whiskey Run river, four miles north of Bandon. Only three of them survived the attempt. The balance of the crew is believed to have been lost when the Chanslor submerged.

Shore patrols are being maintained all along the coast. The steamers Johannna Smith Olsen, City of Topeka, Rose City, and Admiral Schley are searching the waters in the vicinity of Bandon and Cape Blanco for other possible survivors, a heavy fog and choppy sea is making it difficult, however.

Son of Publisher Lost.

Captain Sawyer is reported to be suffering from pneumonia. He is in a hospital at Bandon. Mrs. Sawyer, at present in Portland, has been asked to go to Bandon immediately.

Captain Sawyer said that there were 40 persons aboard the Chanslor. He said he felt almost certain that Francis Jackson, a son of the publisher of the Oregon Journal, of Portland, Ore., was among those lost. He said Jackson had sailed as second engineer.

Picked Up Two on Plank.

Dooley, explaining the wreck of the vessel, said the forepart of the Chanslor broke off and sank within a few minutes after the boat struck a submerged reef. Only 10 persons were able to get into the only life boat launched, according to Dooley, and two others were picked up who were floating about on a plank. Dooley said he did not know the names of any of the boat's occupants.

He was unable today to identify either of the three bodies which have been washed ashore. One is that of a man, dark complexion, smooth shaven, and Dooley was of the opinion he was the mate of the vessel. A gold watch on his person may help to identify him, it is said.

See Two Other Survivors.

In the boat, according to Dooley, were himself, Captain Sawyer, Connolly and Kabler, two oilers, the chief steward and two other sailors whose names he did not know. He said their boat upset when the first heavy struck it. He and Captain Sawyer, and he thinks, Kabler, hung onto the overturned boat and floated to shore. He said he thought the others were drowned by the first wave.

Search Parties Report.

Kabler is the third survivor of the Chanslor, according to advices reaching here from Bandon. He is said to have been an oiler on the steamer. Bandon searching parties report that they sighted a life raft with two men aboard, late Friday with two men aboard. One is thought to have jumped overboard as they neared the rough bar. Advice from Port Orford say that no bodies have yet been found on the beach near Cape Blanco.

Dooley was a member of the steward's department, he said. He joined the crew at Luncheon, near Portland several days ago. The ten who launched the lifeboat were on that part of the steamer which remained afloat, Dooley said today at Bandon.

The steamer broke in two within five minutes after she struck Port Orford reef in the darkness and fog, according to Dooley. The vessel struck at about 6 o'clock Thursday evening, he said. The firemen, engineers, cooks, waiters and most of the sailors were in that section of the vessel which foundered, he said. The wireless had no opportunity to send out S O S calls for help.

The ten men in the lifeboat drifted all Thursday night, and it was not until Friday morning that they picked up two other members of the crew who had been drifting about on a large plank. The cold and wind made suffering intense. There was no water in the lifeboat and only a few sea biscuits. One of the men picked up from the piece of floating timber died shortly after being rescued.

WEATHER

Observations taken at 6:00 p. m., Dec. 20, for the preceding 24 hours.

	High	Low	Pct.
Great Falls	52	35	...
Calgary	52	32	...
Chicago	30	16	...
Havre	50	28	...
Helena	41	28	...
Kalispell	42	30	...
New York	32	16	.92
St. Paul	34	12	...
San Diego	64	48	...
Seattle	60	44	.65
Williston	30	22	...

Weather Conditions—Pacific Slope Northwest and Canadian Northwest:

Moderate temperatures feature conditions in the Pacific northwest in general, with pressures comparatively low except in eastern Idaho and northern Utah. Rains have been general in the country west of the divide and along the Pacific coast as far south as northern California. East of the Rockies fair weather continues.

Montana Forecast.

Generally fair Sunday and probably Monday, except rain or snow west of the divide; slightly cooler in north central portions Sunday.

Snows and Rains Are Predicted First Half of Week; Cold Later

Washington, Dec. 20.—Weather predictions beginning with the week Monday issued by the weather department, are:

Northern Rocky mountain and plateau regions: Unsettled, with snows and rains, with normal temperature first half of week; latter half will be generally fair and cold.

Local Artist Displays Hand Painted China

One of the attractive holiday displays in the city is that appearing in the show window at the Liedholm store. An assortment of china pieces, painted by Sarah Wacasek Liedholm, has been put on exhibition at this place and is attracting much attention from shoppers. The painter took courses in art work at Minneapolis and Chicago.

FREIGHT PLOWS INTO IMMIGRANT TRAIN; FIRES IT

Passengers on S. P. Have Thrilling Escape From Plunging 50 Feet Into Sacramento River.

Engineer Notices Broken Wheel in Time to Keep Derailed Cars From Going Over Embankment.

Onawa, Me., Dec. 20.—Twenty-three persons were killed or burned to death and 35 sustained burns and injuries, when a freight train collided with a special train from St. John, N. B., loaded with steerage passengers from the steamship Empress of France, on the Canadian Pacific railway, near here.

The freight train telescoped the engine and forward cars of the passenger train and the wreckage was burned. The engineers of both trains were among the killed.

The bodies of 11 persons were removed from the wreckage to the snow-covered embankment, awaiting identification. The injured passengers were taken to a hospital at Brownville Junction on a special train which was sent with doctors and nurses from that point.

The railroad statement says: "The collision appears to have been due to men on the freight train overlooking their orders in connection with the Empress steerage passenger special." The dead included 13 adult passengers, 6 children and the engineers and firemen of the two trains.

ENGINEER SAVES DERAILED TRAIN.

Redding, Cal., Dec. 20.—Five cars of north-bound Southern Pacific pas-

Will Press Claim Against Company for Son's Killing

Butte, Dec. 20.—In district court Mrs. Mary L. Green has filed a petition asking for letters of administration in the estate of Patrick Henry Green who was shot and killed in the Northwest coal company yards in Butte on the night of Dec. 9. The petition states that the value of the estate is \$100 in wearing apparel and a claim for damages against M. F. Gill and the coal company. Gill was a night watchman for the coal company and is charged with shooting Green.

PIONEER BUTTE MERCHANT SUCCEUMBS TO ILLNESS.

Butte, Dec. 20.—James C. Canty, 68, pioneer citizen and merchant of Butte, president of the Brownfield Canty Carpet company, died late this afternoon following a long illness.

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