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ANOTHER GERMAN NOTE

Received Monday Again Asks for Peace. and Offers Further Assurances of Good Faith.

The second proposal from Germany for an armistice and peace, in response to President Wilson's reply to the first note, was received at Washington Monday, and while the president has not yet replied to it, it is not thought that the note will be accepted but further negotiations may follow.

The text of the note follows: "In accepting the proposal for an evacuation of occupied territories the German government has started from the assumption that the procedure of this evacuation and of the conditions of an armistice should be left to the military advisers and that the actual standard of power on both sides in the field is to form the basis for arrangements safe-guarding and guaranteeing this standard."

The German government suggests to the president that an opportunity should be brought about for fixing the details. It trusts that the president of the United States will approve of no demand which would be irreconcilable with the honor of the German people and which opening a way to a peace of justice.

The German government protests against the reproach of illegal and inhumane actions made against the German land and sea forces and thereby against the German people. For the covering of these instructions will always be necessary and they are carried out insofar as is permitted by international law. The German troops are under most strict instructions to spare private property and to extend the same to the population to the best of their ability. Where transgressions occur in spite of these instructions the guilty are being punished.

The German government further denies that the German navy is sinking ships which are purposely destroyed life-boats with their passengers. The German government proposes with regard to all those charges that the facts be cleared up by neutral commissions.

"In order to avoid anything that might hamper the work of peace, the German government has caused orders to be dispatched to all submarine commanders precluding the torpedoing of passenger ships without, however, for technical reasons, being able to guarantee that these orders will reach every single submarine at sea before its return."

"As a fundamental condition for peace the president prescribes the destruction of every arbitrary power that can separately, secretly and of its own single choice disturb the peace of the world. To this the German government replies: "Hitherto the German empire has not been endowed with an influence on the formation of the government."

"The constitution did not provide for a concurrence of representation of the people in decisions of peace in war. These conditions have just now undergone a fundamental change. A new government has been formed in complete accordance with the wishes (principle) of the representation of the people, direct, equal, universal, secret, direct franchise."

"The leaders of the great parties of the reichstag are members of this government. In the future no government can take or continue to exist without the confidence of a majority of the reichstag."

"The responsibility of the chancellor of the empire to the representation of the people is being legally developed and safeguarded by a first act of law of the government has been to lay before the reichstag the empire so that the consent of the representation of the people is required for decisions on war and peace."

"The permanence of the new system is, however, guaranteed not only by constitutional safeguards, but also by the unshakable determination of the German people whose vast majority stands behind these reforms and demands their energetic continuance."

"The question of the president— with whom he and the governments associated against Germany— are dealing is therefore answered in a clear, unequivocal manner by the statement that the offer of peace and an armistice has come from a government which is free from any arbitrary and irresponsible influence, is supported by the approval of an overwhelming majority of the German people."

"Solf."

Will Barrett Shot in Oklahoma. Will Barrett, of May, Oklahoma, a former well known resident of Decatur county, a brother of Fred Barrett, was shot last Saturday, we understand by Floyd Shirley, also a former Decatur county resident, the charge taking effect in Mr. Barrett's leg. He was taken to the hospital at Woodward, Oklahoma, and a message received Tuesday by Fred Barrett, said it had been necessary to amputate his leg. No particulars have been received as to whether the injury was an accident, or the result of a fight, but friends here believe it must have been an accident.

Change in Garage Firm. A change was made last week in the firm of Alexander Bros., who have operated a big garage in Leon for several years. On account of James Alexander, the junior member of the firm, having decided to give his interest in the business to his brother Rolla Alexander, and the business will be continued in the same manner and with the same efficient force of workmen by him. As the business affairs of the old firm must all be closed up at once all parties indebted to the firm of Alexander Bros. are urged to call and settle at once.

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Fourth Liberty Loan.

Below I give subscriptions raised by townships as reported to me. There may be some little errors in this as I have found in one or two cases the slips that should have been sent to this office were overlooked. The loss subscribed will not be less but probably more than the amount reported to this office as shown below.

There are also some slips reported in with the name of the buyer, but the amount is lacking at this time. We are getting these adjusted as fast as possible.

The people of Decatur county should feel proud to think that they have raised their full quota. I wish to express my appreciation for the loyal support that I have had during this drive by the entire committee and the citizens generally.

Table with 2 columns: Township Name and Amount. Includes entries for Bloomington, Burrell, Center, Decatur, Eden, Fayette, Franklin, Garden Grove, Grand River, Hamilton, High Point, Leon, Long Creek, Morgan, New Buda, Richland, Woodland, and a total of \$863,700.

Farm Bureau Notes. Wish to call the attention of all teachers and pupils as well as Red Cross workers to the urgent need of collecting nut shells and pits at once. The government needs them for the manufacture of gas masks for the boys overseas.

Wish also to call the attention of all farmers to the midwest horticultural exhibit and pet stock and poultry show on Dec. 10, 11, 12 and 13th. If you love pets, if you are interested in poultry, if you love flowers or are growing fruit, you are interested in fruit of any kind don't miss it. Take the boys and girls it will pay you big. If you have any fruit that you wish to exhibit send it to Des Moines Ice and Cold Storage Company marked Midwest Horticultural Exhibit. They will store it for you free and deliver it in place of show. Be sure and pay the express.

Could not hold our pig and corn show this past Saturday on account of the "flu" quarantine. Perhaps we can do this later. If boys and girls can feed their pigs a short while longer. This was a great disappointment to all concerned. The time is now up on the county contest for feeding pigs and chickens. We can do this later. If boys and girls can feed their pigs a short while longer. This was a great disappointment to all concerned.

Wish to inform all canning clubs that eight teams will be given free trip to Midwest Horticultural Show at Des Moines Dec. 10, 11, 12 and 13th. These teams will be selected at district contests to be held in the eight club district sections of the state. Each canning club leader desiring to enter her team may obtain entry blank and other information from county agent's office.

Wish to inform everybody interested that there has been an organization completed in all townships of the county to take after the "flu" district registrars on farms who had to register and are subject to draft. If you are interested ask county agent's office.

Evans-Shira. The home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Shira, five miles southeast of Leon, was the scene of a pretty wedding Friday of last week when their only daughter, Miss Winnie Shira, was married in marriage to Mr. Walter Evans. At six-thirty the bridal party entered the parlor which had been decorated for the occasion where the Rev. Wm. Campbell, of Davis City, officiated. The ceremony was pronounced them husband and wife.

The bride wore a beautiful dress of white crepe meteor. The bride's maid, Miss Margaret Meek, wore pink crepe de chine. Mr. Mort Rice, a cousin of the bride acted as best man. After the ceremony the guests were invited to the dining room where a delicious three-course dinner was served by the hostess. The bride is one of the successful teachers of the county. She is well known and loved by a large circle of friends. The groom is one of the progressive and wide awake young farmers of the neighborhood and a young man of sterling quality.

Both have spent their lives here in the East Eden neighborhood where they are active in the church and community life and their friends are pleased to know they will live at the Evans homestead where the house has been remodeled for their occupancy.

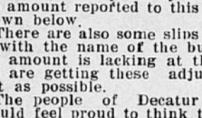
To Attend Fox Hound Meet. S. D. Leachman, of this place, and his son-in-law, Cleve Petty, and Carl Rains, of Woodland township all of whom are enthusiastic fox hunters and owners of famous fox hounds, left here last Sunday by auto for Buchanan county, Mo., to attend the famous fox hound meet which will be held this week at a point a few miles south of St. Joseph. It is claimed that these meets which are held annually in that section of Missouri, are the most famous and best attended of any in the United States, where hundreds of the best bred fox hounds of the middle west are entered and enthusiastic fox hound breeders and hunters gather to indulge in their favorite sport and contest for supremacy of both scent and endurance of their famous dogs. The boys took four of their best bred and best trained dogs with them, which they expect to enter in some of the contests and a few of the wise followers of the sport here predict that one or more of these dogs will not be last in any races they enter.—Lineville Tribune.

Another Decatur County Lieutenant. Another Decatur county young soldier has earned his shoulder straps, Theodore French, of Garden Grove, who last week graduated from the field artillery school at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Kentucky, and was commissioned as second lieutenant. Mr. French's many friends in this county extend their congratulations.

Bert G. Young Wounded in France. In the list of casualties received Monday, appeared the name of Bert G. Young, of Lamoni, reported severely wounded in action in France, but no particulars have been received aside from the announcement of his name in the list. He was a popular young man and his many friends are hoping he will recover from his wounds.

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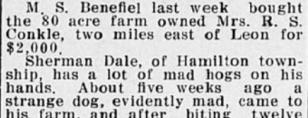
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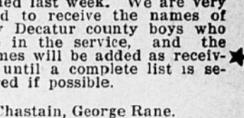
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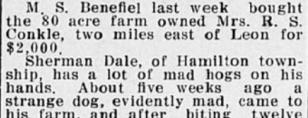
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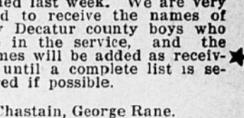
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Men Called to go to Camp Greenleaf, Georgia. Tomorrow Postponed on Account of "Flu."



True W. Myers William Milner

The local board has received notice that the call for twenty-seven men to be sent to Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, on Friday, October 25th, has been indefinitely postponed on account of the prevalence of influenza in the camps all over the country, but reports now are that the epidemic is abating, and it is thought the calls for men will be resumed in the near future.

The board had a call for one man to report for limited military service at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., and Roy Bernard Wadley, of Lamoni, was sent to Jefferson Barracks yesterday. The Decatur county board will commence Monday sending the questionnaires to the 18 year old registrars, those registered between 35 and 46 years of age, all between these ages having already received and returned their questionnaires.

More Classifications. Thirty-three additional registrars were given their medical examination by the local board on Tuesday and placed in class one. Under the present instructions registrars are classified into four sections of class one. A being for general military service, B not perfect but a condition which can be remedied by medical treatment, C for limited military service and D as physically deficient.

William Milner, who went to Camp Dodge from this county a short time ago, died at Camp Dodge of pneumonia, following influenza on Wednesday of last week, his body being taken to Garden Grove, on Thursday, the funeral being held Friday at Leroy.

United War Work Campaign. The need of the seven corporative organizations that have been recognized by the government for work among soldiers and sailors is pressing. To properly care for our boys in camp and field during the coming twelve months will require Two Hundred Millions of Dollars or more. The organizations ask the people of the United States to contribute this money that their work may go forward without interruption.

The co-operation of these seven war activities in their campaign for funds is recommended by the President of the United States; in fact the president asks that the plan be followed. It was upon his recommendation that the executive officers of these organizations entered into an agreement whereby each is to take part in the campaign and each is to share in the contributions in accordance with their individual needs.

This campaign is to open November 21st and will continue to and including the 18th. Every home is to be asked to contribute in accordance with their financial ability. If each and every family will do their just share a sufficient amount will be raised to maintain the huts, hostess houses, canteen service and other needed activities at home and abroad for our soldiers and sailors.

The chairman for Decatur county is V. R. McGinnis of Leon. He has charge of the campaign in this county. It is the purpose of the chairman to have the organization complete and the canvass thorough. He will have a chairman in charge of each township and a sufficient number of assistants in order to make an aggressive campaign. Surely all of our people will give their support to this United War Work Organization. It is certainly much better to have one campaign when the entire amount needed by the seven organizations can be raised rather than seven campaigns at several different periods.

The chairman and his assistants ask the help, the support, the contributions of all patriotic people of this county. The subscription campaign will continue just a week from this date to the 18th of November inclusive. Let's put Decatur county over the top in this meritorious cause and keep Iowa in the front ranks of all the states in support of the administration and in winning the war.