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WILL NOT BE ADMITTED ON
EQUAL FOOTING UNTIL
ATONEMENT MADE.

But Must Bind Herself to the Principle, According to the Matin.

Paris, Dec. 23.—The Matin today was authorized to print the article which was censored yesterday. The article, the first headline of which read: "Yesterday's Utopia Tomorrow's Reality," sets forth the manner of procedure of the "promoters of a league of nations acting in agreement with the allied governments."

"There will be three stages," the Matin says. "First, the allied governments will settle among themselves the principles of a league. As a fundamental rule they will set down the right of peoples to decide their own destinies. As a practical consequence it follows that there will be limitations of armaments and compulsory arbitration among the nations. It seems indispensable that at this point the entente countries bind themselves to put these clauses in the preliminaries of peace."

"It has appeared absolutely necessary to the promoters that the regime of the future world should be fixed in its main outlines before there are any question of indemnities and territories, so that for the first time in history the deliberations of the plenipotentiaries should be dominated by higher ideals than mere individual interest."

Notice To Germany.

"The second act will consist in notifying the enemy powers of the fundamental principles laid down in the preliminaries and requiring from them their adhesion to these principles. As to other conditions of peace preliminaries, as in the case of stipulations of a territorial, financial and economic character, no discussion will be admitted. The entente delegates will say to Germany and her allies:

"Compulsory arbitration and

limitation of armaments are integral parts of our condition. You must subscribe to them at once. You will know later how these principles will be applied."

"The preliminaries once signed, details of the peace treaty will be discussed among the belligerents and only after the signing of this treaty of peace proper will the third stage be reached. This will be a universal conference to settle the new relations to be created between the peoples."

Germany Must Atone First.

"To this conference neutrals may be admitted. No nations, however will be admitted to full membership in the league of nations if it does not offer sufficient guarantees. Germany, having started the war, will have been condemned by the peace conference to make restitution and reparation. She cannot be regarded as being on an equal footing with other nations until she has paid her debt. Germany has committed a crime and she must atone for it before she can be admitted to the ranks of honest and civilized peoples."

"Meanwhile, the other countries will be united by formal agreements, a world police will have been created and sanctions of all kinds will have been instituted. An international tribunal will be working and the spectre of war, as far as it is humanly possible, will be banished from the path of civilization."

Smith Hide Co., Market Square, St. Joseph, Mo., are paying 19c lb. for No. 1, salt cured hides. Horse hides \$5.00 to \$7.00 each. Write for free shipping tags and fur price.

Fred Lindeman and wife who have been visiting at Omaha, returned home last evening.

E. B. Snodgrass was a passenger this morning to Omaha, where he is looking after some business for the day.

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SHORT STATE NOTES

News of Nebraska Told In Condensed Form

Thomas Kerl, wealthy Burt county farmer, was found guilty of sedition in federal court at Omaha and fined \$2,000 and costs.

Snyder and Dodge have re-established the influenza ban. At Snyder crowds are limited to six and at Dodge to twelve persons.

James Malone, chief of police of Lincoln, and well known as a police officer throughout the west and mid-west, died last week.

The Omaha Chamber of Commerce bureau of publicity estimates that money receipts of Nebraska farmers during the war were \$750,000,000 above normal.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the plant of the Fremont Creamery company at Fremont, causing a loss of \$15,000. The plant will be rebuilt at once.

Out of the 15,500 ballots mailed out by the state election commissioner to Nebraska soldiers, including 3,500 sent overseas, only 2,534 came back or less than 11 per cent.

Strenuous efforts are being made in Kearney and adjoining counties to check the spreading of cornstalk disease, which has already caused the death of a large number of cattle and horses.

The Nebraska farmers' congress, which was to meet in Omaha December 17, 18 and 19, has been indefinitely postponed. The influenza situation is responsible for the postponement.

Thirty-two deaths in one day, due to influenza, and a rapidly mounting number of new cases reported each day, led Omaha health authorities to issue a statement urgently requesting a cessation of all public gatherings.

Two Kearney auto dealers and mechanics have invented and patented a hydraulic auto clutch and transmission, which eliminates the gears and clutch of the auto, also does away with the fly-wheel.

To General Harries, well known Nebraska military man, fell the honor of being the first American general to enter Berlin. The Nebraska general and his staff reached the German capital one day last week on an official mission.

The democrats are sure of but twelve seats in the lower branch of the state legislature, which convenes January 7. If the official count in Keya, Paha and Rock counties favor A. O. Smith, the democrats will have thirteen in the house and three in the senate, a total on joint ballot of sixteen.

Differences between Omaha street car men and the traction company, which resulted in the worst strike in the history of the city, are to be ironed out by the War Labor Board on January 2 at Omaha. The men went back to work last Thursday, after more than a week's strike, with that understanding.

A coroner's jury at Scottsbluff returned a verdict finding that Clifford Landry, a Denver detective, killed, without felonious intent, Miss Sylvia Kelley, a former Fremont college girl at Henry, near the Wyoming border. Miss Kelley was fatally shot when the detective fired at an automobile in which she and her uncle, James Nolan of Torrington, Wyo., were riding.

According to a statement issued by Governor Neville on the enforcement of prohibition in Nebraska in the period beginning May 1, 1917, when the law went into effect and ending October 31, 1918, the amount of fines collected amounted to \$142,366.55, the number of prosecutions 5,145, and the convictions 3,822. The receipts from wholesale and retail druggists' licenses issued for the same period amounted to 1,416. Of the total amount, Douglas county contributed \$48,077 and Lancaster county \$8,832.83.

There were 215 prosecutions and 135 convictions in Lancaster county and 5,145 prosecutions and 3,822 convictions in Douglas county. The last legislature appropriated \$50,000 for the enforcement of prohibition under the supervision of the governor. Of that amount the governor has expended a little more than \$29,000.

The State Council of Defense has formulated a plan whereby Nebraska soldiers are to be placed in steady employment when they are mustered out of the service. Agricultural employment will be looked after by county agents and the state labor commissioner.

Dewitt is again quarantined on account of a number of new cases of influenza. The quarantine extends to all amusements and such other meetings which are not considered of vital importance.

Thirty-four alumni, or former students of the University of Nebraska, have died in military service, according to a report from the alumni headquarters at Lincoln.

One-half as many autos were stolen in Omaha in November, 1918, as in November, 1917, and 78 per cent were recovered this year against 57 per cent the previous.

Two hundred and three residents of Lincoln died from influenza and its complications during October and November and the last two days of September.

STATE'S INDEBTEDNESS GROWS.

Bonded indebtedness of the ninety-three counties of Nebraska has increased more than \$3,000,000 during the past two years. The state's total outstanding bonds of all kinds aggregated \$45,192,342, divided as follows: Municipal bonds, \$29,611,847; school district, \$10,642,625; irrigation and drainage, \$1,239,505; county, \$3,398,367; precinct, \$299,500. State Auditor Smith has prepared the following tabulation showing the condition of each county:

Counties.	Total.	Counties.	Total.
Adams	521,709	Jefferson	299,000
Antelope	173,135	Johnson	178,448
Arthur	2,740	Kearney	96,200
Banner	2,740	Keith	246,944
Boone	153,725	Kimball	128,130
Box Butte	272,645	Knox	212,250
Boyd	293,429	Lancaster	249,959
Brown	130,700	Lincoln	512,850
Buffalo	345,800	Loup	18,618
Butler	215,400	Lewis	1,238
Cass	225,600	Madison	475,200
Chase	415,500	McPherson	2,572
Cheney	145,500	Merrick	174,100
Cherry	145,500	Morrill	283,497
Chouteau	225,600	Nemaha	212,250
Clay	225,600	Nuckolls	318,300
Colfax	225,600	Ogallala	419,100
Comstock	225,600	Pawnee	300,900
Custer	225,600	Perkins	406,000
Dakota	225,600	Pierce	200,500
Dawson	225,600	Platte	224,445
DeWitt	225,600	Polk	301,500
Dixon	225,600	Red Willow	72,400
Dodge	225,600	Richardson	607,694
Dundy	225,600	Rock	274,945
Ellis	225,600	Saline	209,550
Franklin	225,600	Sarpy	197,200
Frontier	225,600	Sevier	288,750
Furnas	225,600	Scottsbluff	837,040
Garden	225,600	Seward	238,052
Gesler	225,600	Sheridan	161,232
Grant	225,600	Sioux	102,650
Greene	225,600	Stanton	28,420
Gray	225,600	Thayer	122,000
Hamlin	225,600	Thomas	1,000
Harlan	225,600	Thurston	274,100
Harrison	225,600	Valley	154,300
Hawley	225,600	Washington	140,500
Hibbard	225,600	Wayne	112,000
Holmes	225,600	Webster	140,750
Hooker	225,600	Wheeler	15,500
Howard	225,600	York	157,901
	68,870		
		Total	\$45,192,342

Restoration of motor service on the Kearney to Callaway branch line is possible in the immediate future, it is said.

Inactivity at the oil well prospect near Table Rock, leads people in the vicinity to believe that the enterprise is to be abandoned.

The nine-day street car strike at Omaha is said to have cost the traction company nearly \$100,000 in cold cash. The strike's loss in wages, \$20,000.

Reports reaching the University extension service at Lincoln show that members of the Nebraska boys' and girls' clubs gathered 159 tons of fruit pits and nutshells, or material enough to make 34,000 gas masks.

Issuing of \$1,000,000 bonds for the erection of a new High school of Commerce at Omaha has been approved by the federal capital issues committee at Washington. Work on the structure will probably begin next spring.

Despite the fact that the influenza situation at Tecumseh is no worse than in many other Nebraska towns, authorities in the city have decided to keep schools, churches, theaters and other public enterprises closed until January 1.

The Great Western Sugar company factory at Gering has already shipped out more than 8,000,000 pounds of sugar made in the Gering factory this fall. The factory is averaging about 2,600 bags of sugar every twenty-four hours.

Prof. Fransen of the dairy department of the University of Nebraska has called a state-wide meeting to be held at the state farm at Lincoln the first week in January to consider methods to increase the supply of dairy products in this state.

Several new potash plants are to be built in western Nebraska and plants now in operation are to be enlarged, as the result of the declaring of an embargo on German potash until the peace treaty is signed, by the War Industries Board.

Business houses of Omaha lost thousands of dollars during the nine days' street car strike, which completely tied up trolley service in the city, while jitney drivers in some cases were said to have made as high as \$30 a day hauling people to and from work.

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RELIGIOUS SERVICE.

Count Bentinck's Friends Refuse to Be Present; Audience Will Be Small.

London, Dec. 23.—William Hohenzollern has arranged for himself a Christmas celebration after the traditional German style, as far as the circumstances will permit, according to a dispatch to the Daily Express from Amsterdam today.

The arrangements, by the ex-emperor's insistence, will include elaborate religious ceremonies on Christmas eve. The idea of using the village chapel for these, however, has proved impracticable for various reasons, one of them being the fear of possible hostile demonstrations. The services, accordingly, will be held in the drawing room of Amerongen castle, which will be converted into a chapel.

The ex-emperor desired to have the court chaplain, Dr. Ernest von Dryander, come from Berlin to preach the sermon at the Christmas eve ceremony, but the Berlin government says the dispatch, has refused permission for the chaplain to go to Holland. The service consequently will be conducted by a German missionary from Zeist, near Amerongen, but Herr Hohenzollern himself will deliver the sermon.

Many friends of Count von Bentinck, the former emperor's host, have been asked to attend the service, the message adds, but have refused. The former ruler's audience, therefore, will consist of Count von Bentinck and his family, the ex-emperor's suite and the servants of the castle.

Christmas trees will be provided

as usual for the celebration. Herr Hohenzollern cut these down himself, with the help of two men of the estate in the Amerongen pine woods. The trees are being decorated and loaded with gifts.

The former ruler has requested that no gifts be given him and the ex-empress. The feature of the Christmas dinner will be the turkey. In accordance with Prussian family customs, Herr Hohenzollern will do the carving himself. There also will be a plum pudding, made after an old English recipe, which it is supposed the ex-emperor's mother, Princess Victoria, took to Germany with her from Windsor castle.

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16 oz. Hawkeye Catsup, per bottle...25c
Washing Crisp, per package...10c
Van Camps Soup, per can...12 1/2c
4 lbs. Pancake flour...40c
Good Apples, per peck...75c
Good potatoes, per peck...35c
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