

GENERAL PEACE MAY BE BASED ON WILSON MESSAGE

Chancellor Von Hertling Says
Four Principles Can Be Dis-
cussed as Basis; World
is Prejudiced.

(By Associated Press.)

Germany, through its chancellor, Count von Hertling, declared that a general peace can be discussed on the basis of the four principles laid down recently by President Wilson.

However, the chancellor's acceptance was followed by the statement that the principles must be recognized by all states and peoples, which stage, he said, had not yet been reached.

A court of arbitration is lacking, he said, adding that the tribunal of the world is prejudiced against Germany, which declines to be judged by it. He insisted that the entente war aims were still imperialistic, although admitting that the president's message is a small step toward peace.

The object of the entente was to glorify in leading to peace on the eastern front, and a hint was thrown out to the Belgian government to enter into separate negotiations with Germany. The problem of Alsace-Lorraine continues to be held as having no international aspect.

Russ Ready for Peace.

Meanwhile, although Russia is now ready to conclude peace, the Teuton conquest of its territory goes on practically unimpeded. Reval, the Russian naval base on the southern coast of the Gulf of Finland, and Pskov, 175 miles southwest of Petrograd, have been occupied. The rapid German advance continues along the line southward, especially in Volhynia and the Ukraine.

In Siberia the situation is serious and Japan is reported to be preparing to intervene there soon. The non-Bolshevik forces there have to contend not only with the Bolsheviks, but also against released Austro-German prisoners.

Activity on the western battle fronts is still confined to minor fighting.

Another German raider, the Wolf, has arrived in port after harassing entente merchant vessels in the Atlantic, Indian and Pacific oceans. The total number of vessels destroyed by the Wolf has not been disclosed, but the loss of 11, three of them American, in the Indian and Pacific oceans is assumed by the British admiralty to be due to its activities.

Unable to break the British cordon around the North Sea, the Wolf slipped into the Austrian port of Pola, on the Adriatic. It brought 400 prisoners and a valuable cargo taken from its prizes. A second auxiliary cruiser which the Wolf equipped was sunk by its crew, which was captured by a British warship last February.

While the Wolf was gone 15 months, it apparently did not do as great damage as its famous sister ship, the Moewe, which carried out two raids in the Atlantic in 1915 and 1916.

Iowa Millionaire Dies

Suddenly of Apoplexy

Ida Grove, Ia., Feb. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—Noah Williams, millionaire resident of this city, died suddenly this morning of apoplexy. His fortune, estimated at \$2,000,000, consists largely of land holdings in Ida and Woodbury counties, Iowa, with additional tracts in South Dakota.

He was born in Ohio, September, 1840, and came to Ida Grove in 1877, before the railroad reached here. He founded the Ida County bank, and was its president for 12 years, after which he organized a land bank, giving his entire attention to real estate holdings and investments.

He is survived by his widow and one son, Noah Williams, jr., who are passing the winter in Los Angeles, Cal.

L. & N. Slush Fund Spent

In South on Newspapers

Washington, Feb. 26.—An official record of how the Louisville & Nashville railway spent many thousands of dollars in political activity and supporting newspapers in southern states between 1907 and 1914 was made public today by the interstate commerce commission.

The disclosures were based on an affidavit recently filed by Milton H. Smith, president of the road, answering questions to which he had refused replies during an interstate commerce commission inquiry in May, 1916, and to secure which the commission obtained from the supreme court last November an order requiring Smith to give answers. This affidavit has now been made public.

Stores May Light Windows During Auto Show Week

Omaha retail stores will be permitted to light their display windows during the Omaha auto show.

Owing to relief of the coal shortage, Fuel Administrator Kennedy, after a conference, granted permission to the stores to light their windows this week out of compliment to the out-of-town visitors who are in Omaha to attend the auto show.

This permission is granted for the entire week of the auto show.

Ten Thousand St. Louis

Store Clerks on Strike

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 26.—Strike pickets surrounded the five large department stores here today and endeavored to persuade clerks from going to work.

Union leaders claimed that in four of the stores 75 per cent of the employees were out. Ten thousand clerks are said to be out.

Employers placed the number at much smaller figures.

Recognition of the union and a minimum wage scale are the demands.

Popularity of Smallpox Hospital Depletes Fund

Unusual popularity of the municipal smallpox hospital on West Center street has sadly depleted the appropriation of \$3,500 made by the city council January 1.

Health Commissioner Connell has asked the council to pass an emergency ordinance to cover an additional appropriation of \$3,000.

The attendance at this institution has been averaging more than 60,

Liberty Quartet One of Big Musical Features at Omaha Automobile Show



The Liberty quartet is proving one of the most popular attractions at the Omaha Auto show. The young women composing the musical organization have excellent voices and can be clearly heard over the entire Auditorium.

POSSIBLE ROAD OF ESCAPE FOUND FOR T. H. MATTERS

Interpretation of Statute
by Attorney John L. Web-
ster Affords Loophole for
Convicted Omaha Man.

A possible loophole of escape for Thomas H. Matters was disclosed in a five-hour argument by his attorney, John L. Webster, before Federal Judge Wade Monday. Matters has been twice convicted in the Omaha division of federal court of aiding President Luebben of the First National bank of Sutton in the illegal issuance of certificates of deposit. The argument Monday was to obtain new trial.

Attorney Webster contended that a bank's certificate of deposit is neither money, funds nor credit. The statute under which Matters was prosecuted specifies that the crime consists in misuse of a bank's money, funds or credit. Now if certificates of deposit are neither one of these three, then Matters was not guilty of violating that statute, Webster contends.

Matters' attorneys presented their brief to United States Attorney Allen only Monday, so he had no time to study his argument. Judge Wade therefore has allowed him additional time to reply to Matters' argument.

In Court Five Years.

The Matters case has been in the federal court for nearly five years. He was found guilty on 18 counts at his first trial in March, 1915, and was sentenced to six years in the federal prison. He appealed to the circuit court of appeals, which remanded the case for retrial. The second trial took place last November and Matters was found guilty on 14 counts.

So far United States Attorney Allen has been unable to find any cases holding that a bank's certificates of deposit are either money, funds or credits, and unless he can find such cases to present to the judge the celebrated Matters case may come to an end with a victory for the defendant.

Tries to Sell Booze To Police Officer

Edward M. Hook, 218 North Seventeenth street, used poor judgment in attempting to dispose of a bottle of whisky, he admitted in police court Tuesday. He believed the debonaire gentleman standing in the Paxton hotel entrance was a "high flyer" and asked him if he would not like to purchase a little booze. He found to his sorrow that he had addressed Officer Frank Rose. He was fined \$100 and costs.

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By E. Sauer, M. D.

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Dr. A. J. Newman, late Police Surgeon of the City of Chicago, and former House Surgeon Jefferson Park Hospital, Chicago, says Nuxated Iron has proven through his own tests of it to excel any preparation he has ever used for creating red blood, building up the nerves, strengthening the muscles and correcting digestive disorders.

Dr. James Francis Sullivan, formerly physician of Bellevue Hospital (Outdoor Dept.), New York, and the Westchester County Hospital, says there are thousands of men and women who need a strength and blood builder and do not know what to take. In his opinion there is nothing better than organic iron—Nuxated Iron—for enriching the blood and helping to increase the strength and endurance of men and women who burn up too rapidly their nervous energy in the strenuous strain of the great business competition of the day.

If you are not strong or well, you owe it to yourself to make the following test: See how long you can work or how far you can walk without becoming tired. Next take two five-grain tablets of Nuxated Iron three times per day after meals for two weeks. Then test your strength again and see how much you have gained.

NOTE—Nuxated Iron, which has been used by former members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, and other prominent people with such surprising results, and which is justly and recommended by physicians, is not a secret remedy, but one which is well known to druggists everywhere. Unlike the older inorganic iron salts, it is easily assimilated, does not injure the stomach, and does not cause constipation. It is a natural food, and its use results in every instance of a healthy and happy life. It is sold by all druggists and is the only iron preparation that is not a secret remedy.

NEW ARMY RIFLE GREATEST GUN EVER INVENTED

Washington, Feb. 26.—The Browning machine rifle, adopted for the American army in France and declared by ordnance experts to be the greatest weapon of its kind yet developed, is now being turned out in three factories, Secretary Baker announced today, and more than 100 already have been delivered.

The department estimates that high production mark will be reached in June, when several thousand will be turned out each week.

This is gratifying, said Mr. Baker, as it has been the experience of the government heretofore that machine gun production has rarely met predetermined schedules.

It also was announced that production of the Colt-Browning machine gun, the heavy type, soon will be in progress on a quantitative basis.

Sense of Touch is Perfect, Says Judge

Jeannette Stepp, negress, charged with stealing \$25 from Elage Standing Elk, Indian, proved to be deaf, but not mute. Before the charge had been read to her, she began in loud and discordant tones to protest her innocence. "You see, judge, she can't hear very well," said her attorney, apologetically. "No, but her sense of touch is perfect. Twenty-five and costs," was the retort perfect.

U. S. Steamer Stranded; May Save Part of Cargo

Santiago, Chile, Feb. 26.—Latest reports from the American steamer Kentra, stranded near Coronel, are that the steamer remains in a critical position. If the weather remains favorable it may be possible to salvage the cargo in the upper holds.

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JAPS TO PROTECT SIBERIAN FROM GERMAN RAIDERS

Japanese Prepared to Take
Action in Siberia, Where Teu-
tons Are Reported to
Be Mobilizing.

(By Associated Press.)

Harbin, Feb. 26.—The Japanese, according to reliable authority, intend to take action in Siberia at an early date, and there are evidences that the Japanese have long been preparing to carry out this move.

SITUATION IS DESPERATE.
The situation in Siberia is considered extremely grave owing to the inability of the Cossack General Semionoff, head of the anti-bolshevik movement in that vast territory, to secure allied support for which he has appealed to the Japanese.

General Semionoff's movement now is officially recognized and a general committee has been formed at Harbin, which will act as a general staff divided into three departments—financial, military and administrative. The Russian Consul M. Popoff, has been appointed chairman of the committee.

GERMANS ARE DRILLING.
Two thousand Germans have been armed and are drilling at Irkutsk, capital of the government of Irkutsk, in eastern Siberia and according to an official report received from a foreign consul, the Germans are making all preparations to bring much larger forces there.

For some time bolsheviks have been operating in eastern Siberia and even in Manchuria. In December it was reported that Japanese had landed at Vladivostok, where large quantities of stores for the Russians had congested and where the bolsheviks were said to be gathering preparatory to an attack, with the object of capturing these supplies. The Japanese minister of

foreign affairs, however, in an interview denied that Japan was mobilizing or landing troops in Siberia.

Disarmament.

"So your league is getting every-

thing ready for the time when peace and disarmament shall come. No doubt you have selected some symbolical figure to represent the new combination of disarmed nations."

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The number of telephone calls between the various camps, military headquarters and supply depots scattered all over the country has been steadily increasing.

Private business, accelerated by the war, has required constantly increasing amounts of additional telephone equipment and service.

There is also an astonishing demand for telephone equipment for the training camps here and for the armies in Europe. The cost, too, of telephone equipment and materials is now double what it was three years ago.

These extraordinary demands for telephone service and equipment for government and private needs have come upon the Bell Telephone Companies when they are short more than 6,800 trained men who have gone into the army.

But in spite of the war and what it has meant to this company in the increased number of telephone messages to handle, in the high cost of material, in the shortage of equipment, in the scarcity of labor, and in the enlistment of so many of our trained men—

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