

U. S. NOW READY TO JOIN OTHER NATIONS TO PRESERVE PEACE

WILSON HOPES PEACE TERMS WILL GUARD SEA FREEDOM

President Includes Provision to Prevent Future Wars.

NOTHING TO SEEK

U. S. Has No Selfish Ambitions to Serve and Welcomes Union of Powers for Universal Service.

Washington, May 27.—President Wilson declared here tonight before the League to Enforce Peace that the United States was ready to join in any feasible association of nations to preserve the peace of the world against "political ambition and selfish hostility," and in service of "a common order, a common justice and a common peace."

Would Have Freedom of Seas

Outlining suggestions for peace, which the President said he hoped the United States would make if it has opportunity to do so, he included provision for absolute freedom of the seas, a contention which has been the keystone of all the diplomatic discussions with Germany and Great Britain, and virtual guarantee of territorial integrity and political independence.

Speech on Peace Theme

The text of President Wilson's speech follows: "When the invitation to be here tonight came to me, I was glad to accept it—not because it offered me an opportunity to discuss the programme

REPORTERS CONCERNED REGARDING CONVICTION LISTENING ON WIRES

New York, May 27.—The Society of Certified Shorthand Reporters of New York announced to-day that it had adopted a resolution opposing the reporting of conversations by listening on telephone wires or by eavesdropping devices where the speaker is unknown to the reporters. The resolution declared that this practice is unethical, unprofessional, tends to abuse and that the members of the society should not engage in such service.

Going to Auburn?

When in going through Auburn stop off and visit Valentine Brown, new lunch and restaurant, most complete place in the State, popular prices, take your Sunday outing dinner there. Cor. Geneva and North Sts. Auburn, N. Y. Syracuse stores, 155 S. Salina cor. Jefferson St. and 158 W. Geneva, St. Adv.

General Keary



British Commander in Mesopotamia who is attempting to join forces with Russians against the Turks.

MARTIAL LAW IN IRELAND TO BE CONTINUED

Proclamation to That Effect Is Issued in Dublin.

Dublin, May 27.—Martial law will be continued in Ireland for the present. A proclamation issued to-day says: "Whereas disaffection and unrest still prevail in certain parts of Ireland, martial law will be continued throughout Ireland until further notice."

Case of Sinner Being Tried

In Galway, Inspector Rutledge testified, the Sinn Fein volunteers began their organization at a meeting addressed by Sir Roger Casement, Patrick H. Pearse, since executed for his part in the rebellion, and Prof. John MacNeill.

SCHLATTER, DIVINE HEALER, ARRAIGNED IN U. S. COURT

Charged With Using Mails to Defraud—Held in \$2,500 Bail.

New York, May 27.—Francis Schlatter, known as a "divine healer," was arrested and arraigned before a United States commissioner here to-day as the result of an indictment found against him yesterday in Los Angeles, charging him with using the mails to defraud. It is alleged that he sent through the mails handkerchiefs he had blessed and represented as containing healing power. Schlatter was held in \$2,500 bail for a hearing June 7th and was released in the custody of his counsel, Augustus Algard. Schlatter's secretary, also was arrested on a Los Angeles warrant, charging him with inserting a misleading advertisement in a Los Angeles paper. He also was held in \$2,500 bail and paroled in the custody of counsel.

GERMAN PEACE OFFERS AFFORD U. S. AN EXCUSE FOR OVERTURES

Neutral Diplomats Think Time Ripe to End War.

RESTS WITH ALLIES

Armistice, It Is Believed, Would Result in Germany Showing Spirit of Modifying Peace Terms.

(Special to The Herald.)

Washington, May 27.—Neutral diplomats in Washington who have been observing closely signs of coming peace and who have studied the utterances from the chancelleries of belligerent countries stated to-day that the United States has sufficient information to warrant it in taking a definite step toward ending the European war.

Indicates Peace Basis.

These diplomats agree that Germany has indicated the basis on which she would consent to a discussion of peace terms, and that while some of its phrases are dictated from a purely national rather than continental policy, the basis proposed is reasonable enough to justify the allies in considering an armistice.

Expects to Modify Terms.

Germany, these diplomats said, probably does not expect the terms she suggests now to be wholly acceptable to the allies, and they believed she would exhibit at the peace congress a spirit of accommodation, accepting feasible proposals for the limitation of armament and for the curbing of militarism by reducing the prescribed time of compulsory servitude in the army.

Will Give Up Belgium. Surrender of Belgium, which guarantees that the Belgian king.

GIRL REJECTS FLIRT'S ATTENTIONS; IS SHOT

Miss Dorothy Prefert Fatally Wounded Through Cage in Buffalo Store.

Buffalo, May 27.—An unknown man about 25 years of age and probably fatally injured Miss Dorothy Prefert, cashier in Kingston's drug store at Main and Ferry streets about 10 o'clock this morning. The man drove up to the store first in an automobile about 7 o'clock. He entered and asked the clerk for a dish of ice cream and was served.

BLAKSLEE TELLS SENATORS POSTAL BILL IS SURRENDER TO THE RAILROADS

Assistant Postmaster Justifies His Work Against Amendments.

DENIES LOBBY CHARGE

Indulges in Heated Debate With Members of Postal Committee and Makes Sharp Retorts to Queries—Sarcasm by Senator Hardwick.

Washington, May 27.—Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Blakslee told the Senate postoffice committee to its face to-day he considered its amendments to the postal bill a surrender to the railroads and although he drew the wrath of senators at the hearing upon him, he defended his action in organizing a campaign against the amendments.

Investigate Lobby Charge

The committee met to investigate charges that Blakslee organized a lobby. Blakslee frankly told the committee he considered their amendments bad, took up the bill in detail to prove his charge that they were a surrender to railroads and defiantly told the senators of his work for their defeat.

Takes Full Responsibility.

Mr. Blakslee took full responsibility for his actions, which he described in a statement to the effect that, based on his own experience with postal affairs of three years and the advice of experts in the department he had reached the conclusion that the amendments were bad. With that in mind he said, he telegraphed, telephoned and wrote to everybody he could to defeat them, including postmasters, who he asked to communicate with their patrons and representatives in Congress. His letter declared the Senate committee had "made a complete surrender to the railroads."

Denies Organizing Lobby.

"Do you think you had the right to organize a lobby of postmasters to fight a proposal that had been adopted by the unanimous vote of our sub-committee—the unanimous vote of Senators of both parties?" demanded Senator Hardwick.

China's New Cabinet IS ONLY TEMPORARY

Peking, April 24.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—China's new cabinet, organized at President Yuan Shi Kai's direction recently by his former secretary of state, Tuan Chi-Jui, now premier and minister of war, is only temporary and will give way to a permanent body after a parliament is properly elected and a new constitution promulgated.

DR. WAITE IS GUILTY OF MURDER; TAKES VERDICT STOICALLY

Found Guilty of Murder



DR. ARTHUR WARREN WAITE. (COURTESY, PHIL SERGE)

Verdun and Tyrol Center of Conflict; Tide Ebbs and Flows

Situation at Verdun Shows Some Gains for French—Austrian and Italian Reports Vary.

London, May 27.—Verdun and the southern Tyrol remain the centers of current military activity. Before the French fortress the side of battle is flowing now with one combatant and then with the other. On the Austro-Italian front the advantage seems still to remain with the Austrians, who continued pushing their offensive vigorously, although in most of the sectors the Italian resistance is apparently increasing in effectiveness.

ROME ADMITS A REPULSE

Rome admits a retirement from an advanced position on the Asiatic river, but claims that a sanguinary defeat was inflicted upon the Austrians in the Lagarina valley and that the foe has been held in check all along other sectors of the front. The Austrians, it is pointed out in news dispatches, have failed in their two weeks' offensive to obtain their object of forcing their way into the Arsa valley and so winning the road to the Venetian provinces.

70,000 MAY STRIKE

New York, May 27.—A strike of 70,000 workers in the men's garment industry may follow the resignation of the members of the board of moderators designed to keep pace in the garment industry. The three moderators declared the strikers failed to keep their promise to return to work pending a settlement.

Tea Company Incorporates.

Albany, May 27.—Articles of incorporation were filed with the secretary of state to-day by the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea company, Inc. with a capital stock of \$12,750,000. The principal office will be in Middletown, Orange county.

SLAYER HEARS DOOM WITH NO EMOTION; WIFE LEAVES COURT

She Could Not Stand Strain—Father Near Collapse.

AFFINITY OVERCOME

Mrs. Horton Drops Telephone Receiver When Told News—Dentist Expected Conviction.

(Special to The Herald.)

New York, May 27.—Dr. Arthur Warren Waite to-day was found guilty of the murder of his millionaire father-in-law, John E. Peck. The jury deliberated one hour and twenty-three minutes. They took three ballots. For one hour two of the jurors held out for a verdict that would have saved Waite from the electric chair but would have sent him to Matteawan for life.

Father Nearly Collapses

Waite took the verdict stoically. His aged father, Warren W. Waite, sagged forward and would have fallen had not his two other sons, Lloyd and Frank, caught him. Mrs. Clara Louise Peck Waite left the courtroom when the jury returned with their verdict.

Faces Jury Unflinchingly.

At no time during the trial was Waite more self-contained. He refused to be seated when the jurors filed in. He watched them with a clear eye, a sober mien and a calmness that betokened preparedness for just what happened. When William Penney, the Supreme court clerk, asked him to "look upon the jury," he did so without flinching. He stood firmly on both

SPY LINCOLN TAKEN BACK TO ENGLAND

Says He Will Serve Two Weeks for Forgery and Then Face Firing Squad.

Firing Squad.

New York, May 27.—Ignatius T. T. Lincoln, formerly a member of the British Parliament and confessed international spy, was to-day taken back to England by Scotland Yard detectives aboard the Anchor line steamship Cameronia, at the request of the British government, which wants him to answer to a charge of forgery. Lincoln once escaped from jail here, but was recaptured.

KREMER AT ST. LOUIS

St. Louis, May 27.—J. Bruce Kremer of Butte, Mont., secretary of the Democratic national committee, arrived to-day and opened headquarters for the national committee. The sub-committee of the national committee will meet here June 23 to perfect plans for the convention.

\$18,000,000 for Western Pacific.

San Francisco, May 27.—United States District Judge Maurice T. Dowling fixed \$18,000,000 as the "upset" price for the sale of the Western Pacific railway to-day in the foreclosure suit brought by the Equitable Trust company of New York.

Heavy Earth Shock Felt.

Willmarstad, Curacao, May 27.—A heavy earth shock was felt throughout this island at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. No damage has been reported.

Dine at Andrea. Special dollar dinner Sunday, 12-2 P. M. A la carte any time. Adv.