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PRES. WILSON WON'T STAND FOR THE "PEACE OF LOOT"

PRESIDENT MAKES PLAIN STATEMENT

CANNOT BE PARTY TO DIVISION OF GERMAN COLONIES AMONG POWERS AND BE A PARTY TO THE "LEAGUE OF NATIONS."

TALK STRIPPED OF DIPLOMATIC NICETIES

(By The Associated Press)
Paris, Jan. 31.—The crisis in the peace negotiations over the disposition of German colonies seems to have passed, momentarily at least.

It is too early to say that President Wilson's view prevailed in its entirety, but in American quarters there is confidence that a compromise plan will be worked with details which will be acceptable to America's view-point.

When the Supreme Council meets today it will have before it a very plain statement made by President Wilson at Wednesday's last session. What he said did not appear in the official communiqué, nor has it now been disclosed with any official authority, but it may be stated that it was very clear in its re-affirmation of the principles for which the president has previously contended.

In phrases stripped of diplomatic niceties it is understood that Wilson told the members of the Supreme Council that he would not be a party to the division of Germany's colonial possessions among the powers which now hold them and then become a party to the "league of nations," which, in effect, would guarantee their title.

There are inferences that President Wilson even referred to a "peace of loot."

HALF MILLION ARMY DECIDED

Washington, Jan. 31.—An army of half a million men was unanimously decided upon by the house military committee as a basis for determining appropriations for army pay for the year beginning with next July.

RUSSIA STEERS OFF CONFERENCE

(By The Associated Press)
Paris, Jan. 31.—The Peace Conference so far has had two answers to its invitation to the various Russian governments for a

BRITAIN MAY GIVE GIBRALTAR

Arrangement Between England And Spain To This End Now In Process

SPAIN TO GET BIG ROCK

Paris, Jan. 31.—A report that some arrangement between Great Britain and Spain was in prospect through which Gibraltar would be turned over to the Spanish jurisdiction appears in the Paris edition of the Daily Mail today.

POLICE CHARGE SCOTCH MOB

(By The Associated Press)
Glasgow, Jan. 31.—Several persons were injured here today when the police charged a crowd of strikers.

Mounted police were called out and a number of arrests were also made.

NATIVES HOARD SILVER MONEY

(By The Associated Press)
London, Jan. 30.—The hoarding habits of the natives in West Africa is causing much difficulty among interests trading in that country. As soon as a supply of silver is let loose it disappears. Paper money has been introduced in one pound, ten shilling and two shilling notes but the native is not keen for these and much prefer silver. Now the experiment is being tried of issuing one shilling notes which will be legal tender and if the native takes to them, the problem will be largely solved. In the meantime the West African Currency Board is buying as much silver as possible and shipping it by every steamer to West Africa.

conference at Princes Islands.

The government of northern Russia formally refuses to meet the Bolshevik contingent, while the Omsk government expresses strong reserve.

NAT GOODWIN DIED TODAY

Plan To Meet Russian Governments At Princess Islands A Failure

NORTH RUSSIA DECLINES

New York, Jan. 31.—Nat C. Goodwin, an American actor with an international reputation, who has starred in comedy for more than twenty years, died here today after a short illness.

BIG EXPLOSION AT NYARK N. Y.

(By The Associated Press)
Nyack, New York, Jan. 31.—Three persons are reported missing and twenty others taken to a hospital after an explosion wrecking the plant of the Analine Products Corporation here today. All the victims were employees.

TORQUAY NOW MARRIAGE CITY

Torquay, Eng., Jan. 30.—This seacoast town, so well known to American visitors, and which has hitherto been known as "Queen of Western Watering places" will have to be temporarily renamed "Honeymoon town." It is here that the authorities have decided New Zealand troops shall assemble with their British brides before returning overseas. The daily arrivals of New Zealanders and their wives is expected to reach a thousand.

The girls of Torquay are not viewing this invasion altogether favorably, though many have no reason to complain as they have already selected husbands from the thirteen thousand New Zealand troops who have passed through the place during the war.

COTTON MARKET

March	22.98	22.98	22.72	22.72
May	21.78	21.80	21.61	21.80
July	20.92	20.92	20.91	20.91
October	19.62	19.62	19.44	19.44

Local Market 20 cents

CIVILIZED COUNTRIES MAY GET FREEDOM

AGREEMENT OF ALLIED COUNCIL REACHED WHEREBY TERRITORIES MAY FORM THEIR GOVERNMENTS UNDER PROTECTORATE

ARABIA-MESOPOTAMIA EXAMPLES

WHITAKERS MAN IS WOUNDED

Washington, Jan. 31.—Twelve hundred and forty one names appear in the four casualty lists issued by the War Department today, of which twenty eight comprised North Carolina sacrifices. Robert Jones, of Whitakers, is recorded as having been wounded slightly, while David Frank, of Louisburg, is reported as having died of disease.

The full list of the state men is hereunder given:

Corporals Coy S. Bell, of Troy; George W. Midkiff, of Mount Airy; and Wiley M. Price, of Cranberry and Honeshorer Everett E. Hendersonville together with Privates James E. Gregory, of Mount Airy and Luke Ridgill, of Summerton were all wounded severely. Private Frank Davis, of Louisburg died of disease.

Privates George B. Teague, of Winston Salem and Harmon Kivett, of Fayetteville were both wounded severely.

Private Will Joiner, of Wilkesboro was wounded to a degree undetermined but was previously reported as missing in action.

Private Andrew L. Bradley, of Smithfield has returned to duty previously reported as missing in action.

Sergeants Clyde Heldreth, of Charlotte; David L. Jones, of Alexie and Private John A. Linn of China Grove were all wounded to a degree undetermined.

Captain Joseph N. Jacobs, of Wilmington and Privates Royal G. Jeffreys, of Youngsville; Ira M. Wagner, of Yuma and Alfred P. Dyson were all wounded slightly. Private Clarence L. Howell, of

(By The Associated Press)
Paris, Jan. 31.—An agreement has been reached by the Allied Council on the colonial question, says Havas agency, in a statement issued today.

It provides that in territories sufficiently civilized to give expression to their wishes as to the form of government will be permitted to set up such governments under the auspices of the league of nations, may obtain international independence of living under the protectorate of one or other of the great powers. Arabia and Mesopotamia are considered as examples of this class.

NAVAL PROGRAM AGREED UPON

Washington, Jan. 31.—Unanimous approval of the administration new three year naval program, with the number of capital ships reduced from sixteen to ten because of the difficulty among experts to agree over the value of battle cruisers, was voted today in the house naval committee.

It evidently is the opinion of the Senate the James Monroe had better come back and look after his doctrine, which appears to be in some danger of collapse.

Gastonia was wounded severely. Mechanic Grover C. Buckner, of Siler City and Privates Raymond McSwain, of Polkton; Joel M. Messer, of Gastonia; Alfred J. Terrell, of Mebane; Needham Beddingfield, of Wake Forest; C. A. Dackis, of Durham; Willie Fowler, of Barnesville; Robert Jones of Whitakers and Fred Lipe, of Concord were all wounded slightly.

Madry Brothers Have Not Met In France

A letter received by Mr. J. H. Madry from his brother, Private Royal C. Madry, dated December 23, from Oberwinter, Germany, in part as follows:

"I am further away from home than I thought I would ever get. Am now in a small town in Germany on the river Rhine, and have reached our destination.

"The day after tomorrow is Christmas day and I wish I was home with you. I now I would get a good dinner. I guess I'll get a few beans and spuds, that's what I have been getting. I sure have seen many things in the army that I wouldn't eat at home.

A fellow can eat most anything when he gets hungry.

"I have been on three fronts since I've been over and I've seen a bit of this war. Some time when on the front they could not get food to us. One time I got so hungry I ate yellow corn that I found on the ground in a German camp we captured, and I also ate some green raw tomatoes. I always did hate tomatoes.

"The German people have treated us very nice since we have been here, and do all they can to make us comfortable.

"I haven't seen Guthrie since I crossed, but I guess he will get back home before I will. I don't

think his outfit was on the front. I've heard from him two or three times, but not since the war is over. I hope he got through alright.

J. G. Madry Writes To The Commonwealth

The following letter comes to us from Guthrie Madry, who is stationed at Chatillon sur Seine, France, dated January 5.

Editor:
Just a few words to express to you my appreciation for the Commonwealth which has been a most pleasant visitor to me since being "over here." It is indeed a source of pleasure to me to read the news from back home and

especially interesting to note the North Carolina casualty list you publish.

There are a good many "Tar Heels" in my company and they too are always eager to see if there are any of their friends named in the list.

"I am getting on very nicely and have enjoyed good health since being over here. I am now located in a nice town in the interior of France where life would be quite pleasant were it not for the fact that every day has been a rainy one since we came here in November 28, and you can imagine that mud is plentiful.

"Have been fortunate in seeing

a number of our boys since the signing of the armistice and they all seemed to be getting along fine.

"As to our activities we the 81st division, were on the Lunerville front for about a month, but this was one of the quieter sectors and our stay there was only intended to constitute our last stage of training.

"After being relieved there we went up on the Verdun front where our infantry went 'over the top' in a very creditable manner on November 6 and did splendid work driving back the Huns until the order came to cease firing on the 14th. As to our cas-

ualties I do not know just how many there were.

"The question that is uppermost in our minds now is when are we going home, and you may bet that the subject is very extensively discussed by us each night as we are gathered together in our barracks but I hope we will soon be sailing to the good old U. S. A.

"Am sorry to learn that the 'Flu' is in our town again and I most earnestly hope that it will soon be driven out and the town will suffer no losses.

"With best wishes to my many friends, yours,"

GUTHRIE MADRY
Co 5, D. S. T. 306, A. E. Forces