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...dent Lays Down Terms Which Peace Can Come

...gton, Oct. 14.—President Wilson today answered Ger...e proffer with a note declaring anew that there can be ...th a German government controlled by a military au... no thought of an armistice while German atrocities ...land and sea.

...he time to consider an armistice comes, the President ...itary advisers of the United States and the Allies will ... and no military advantage of the armies fighting the ...ery will be lost.

...t of the President's answer follows:

...y to the communication of the German government, ...th instant, which you handed me today I have the ...uest you to transmit the following answer:

...qualified acceptance by the present German govern... a large majority of the Reichstag, of the terms laid ... President of the United States of America in his ...he Congress of the United States on the 8th of Jan... ...d in his subsequent addresses, justifies the President ...frank and direct statement of his decision with regard ...unications of the German government of the 8th and ...ber, 1918.

...be clearly understood that the process of evacuation ...itions of an armistice are matters which must be left ...ent and advice of the military advisers of the gov... ...he United States and the allied governments, and the ...els it his duty to say that no arrangement can be ac... ...e government of the United States which does not ...lute satisfactory safeguards and guarantees of the ... of the present military supremacy of the armies of ...tates and the Allies in the field. He feels confident ...fely assume that this will also be the judgment and ...he Allied governments.

...sident feels that it is also his duty to add that neither ...nt of the United States nor, he is quite sure, the gov... ...h which the government of the United States is ... a belligerent, will consent to consider an armistice ... armed forces of Germany continue the illegal and ...ctices which they still persist in.

...ery time that the German government approaches ...nt of the United States with proposals of peace its ...e engaged in sinking passenger ships at sea, and not ...e, but the very boats in which their passengers and ...make their way to safety; and in their present en... ...wal from Flanders and France the German armies ... course of wanton destruction which has always ...as in direct violation of the rules and practices of ...ure. Cities and villages, if not destroyed, are being ... they contain, not only, but often of their very in... ...e nations associated against Germany cannot be ...ree to a cessation of arms while acts of inhumanity, ...desolation are being continued which they justly ...horror and with burning hearts.

...ssary, also in order that there may be no possibility ...nding, that the President should very solemnly call ...the Government of Germany to the language and ...purport of certain parts of the address which he ...delivered. It is contained in the address of the ...ident at Mount Vernon on the Fourth of July last.

...uction of every arbitrary power anywhere that can ...retly and of its single choice, disturb the peace of ... if it cannot be presently destroyed, at least its re... ...ful impotency.'"

... which has hitherto controlled the German nation ...ere described. It is within the choice of the Ger... ...alter it. The President's words, just quoted, nat... ...e a condition precedent to peace, if peace is to ...ion of the German people themselves. The Presi... ...d to say that the whole process of peace will, in ...epend upon the definiteness and the satisfactory ...guarantees which can be given in this fundamental ...indispensable that the governments associated ...y should know beyond a peradventure with whom ...

...ent will make a separate reply to the royal and ...ment of Austria-Hungary.

... the renewed assurances of my high considera...

"ROBERT LANSING.

...ck Oderlin, Charge d'Affaires, ad interim, in ...ge of interests in the United States."

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DISCUSS CLOSING OF EVERY SALOON IN WHOLE STATE

Fight on Influenza May Include Elimination of Soft Drink Places.

FOUR THOUSAND NEW CASES ARE REPORTED

Elks Estabilsh Free Dispensary at Their Home to Assist Poor.

CASES REPORTED MONDAY:

New Orleans	4,096
Louisiana (outside of city)	3,179
Total new cases	7,275

CASES REPORTED TO DATE:

New Orleans	12,066
Louisiana (outside of city)	14,122
Total to date	26,248

The Elks have established a dispensary at their home, Canal and Howard streets, where they will fill free of charge influenza prescriptions of poor people, certificate of the prescribing doctor that the case is worthy being the only requirement.

The question of closing every saloon in Louisiana and many of the soft drink places, to further prevent the spread of influenza, is under consideration, Dr. Oscar W. Dowling, president of the State Board of Health, said Monday evening. During the day Dr. Dowling took up with Attorney General A. V. Coco legal phases of the matter. He is busy with a survey of conditions in the saloons and soft drink stands as a basis for such action as may be taken. Saloon restaurants would be included in case of such order.

Dr. Dowling says that the question is whether or not the saloons and soft drink places are a menace in this epidemic; whether or not they are sanitary and whether or not crowds congregate in them in the accepted sense of the word as applied in the epidemic.

The United States Public Health Service has taken over the emergency hospital, and Tuesday the Gulf Division of the American Red Cross will assemble at the hospital the necessary medical and other supplies.

The Red Cross and the City Board of Health took up with Mayor Behrman the question of utilizing the larger school buildings for housing deportments of influenza patients where necessary.

Both Dr. Dowling and Dr. Robin declare influenza is rapidly on the increase and the situation is serious.

Twenty-five street car conductors violated the order of the City Board of Health against overcrowding, Dr. Dowling said, during Monday. Dr. Dowling, whose inspectors made the investigations, has referred the cases to the City Board in view of the order having emanated from that authority.

AUTHORITY TO PROSECUTE

Attorney General Coco Monday advised Dr. Dowling that the health authorities have full authority under their codes to prosecute conductors who violate the overcrowding order.

The cases noted were on Jackson avenue, Carondelet, South Claiborne avenue, Clio and St. Charles Belt cars.

The following details appear in the reports to Dr. Dowling:

Jackson avenue cars, with capacity under the order, of forty-two persons, bearing numbers 134, 155, 297, 130, 150, 137 and 164 carried, respectively, forty-six, forty-five, forty-six, forty-three, fifty-six, fifty and forty-three passengers. The number of one car carrying forty-eight was not recorded.

Carondelet cars, with capacity for forty-two persons, bearing numbers 56, 59, 59, 70, 83 and 73, car-

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MOOSE LAKE FOLK SEARCH FIRE AREA

FOR 1000 CORPSES

ALLIES LAUNCH GREAT ATTACK IN FLANDERS

The British, French and Belgian Forces Inaugurate Drive on Wide Front and Make Advance of Five Miles—Roulers Reported Captured and Coutrai Is Threatened from the North.

NUMBER OF TOWNS CAPTURED AND THOUSANDS OF PRISONERS.

French Are Approaching the Sorre-Souche Line, in the Vicinity of Laon, from Which the Enemy Is Reported Retiring in Good Order—British Are Along the Whole Water Line of the Canal de la Hawte Deule and the Sensee Canal—Enemy's Resistance Shows He Is Not Yet Beaten Foe.

With the American Army Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—The American troops west of the Meuse are now beyond Cunel and Romagne. Their patrols are in the Bois De Bantheville. Farther west the American line has reached St. Georges and Landres-Et-St. George.

London, Oct. 14.—In the attack in Flanders today the French took 3000 prisoners.

Paris, Oct. 14.—French troops have captured the town of Roulers in Belgian Flanders and also 2500 prisoners, according to the official announcement tonight.

With the British Army in France, Oct. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—The British in their attack in Flanders today approached Courtrai. Counter-attacks by picked Bavarians against the French broke down under a hot fire. Thousands of prisoners have been taken and enormous casualties again have been inflicted on the enemy. The latest reports indicate that British broke through at one place and are advancing toward the Lys.

The Belgians have signalled from the east and southeast of Roulers that they have captured Hagebrooke, Gitsberg and Beverin and that 3000 prisoners thus far have been counted.

The British have taken Beusch, Boschmolen, Gulleghem, Wulvelghem and Wervicq and are a thousand yards northwest of Menin.

They had captured by early afternoon [illegible] field guns.

The whole front attacked, from Wervelos, extended for thirty kilometers, northward from Comines, the British holding half of this line.

There are further evidences that the Germans are retreating from the Belgian coast. The stores are being moved from Ostend and Bruges, extraordinary efforts being made to get all their materials away from the rear of the French. But the quantities are so vast, because they were originally put there when the Germans had hopes of breaking through and driving for the coast, that the enemy is experiencing great difficulty in saving his supplies.

More fires have been started by the Germans, especially in Thourout and in the neighborhood of Cortemarlek, and great clouds of smoke and flame cover the country for miles.

The enemy appears to have fought well, particularly during the early stages of the attack, and in one instance Bavarian troops even penetrated the British barrage and used their machine guns. This situation, however, was speedily ended and masses of the enemy troops were killed.

The battle continues tonight under brilliant moonlight.

While the main German resistance has been broken, it is still being offered heavily here and along the front, for the enemy realizes the seriousness of another Allied victory here. The German front is steadily being turned and undoubtedly if the Allied success continues Lille will fall.

The British are using masses of artillery which, as in recent battles, is moving with the infantry and has been pounding the Boche, rear and retreat-

War Summary

(By the Associated Press)

Peace talk pervades the air, but it is falling on deaf ears, so far as the armies in the field are concerned. Instead of a relaxation in the intensity of the fighting, new hostilities on what seemingly is a major scale are being carried out by the British, French and Belgians in Belgian Flanders.

Having cleared out the old Laon salient and made advances northward in Champagne which are menacing the retirement of the Germans eastward toward the Valenciennes-Mesieres-Metz line, General Foch has ordered a drive in the Lys river region of Flanders toward Ghent which threatens to break entirely the grip of the Germans in Belgium all the way from the frontier to the coast and likewise to eliminate the big bulge in the line with Lille as its apex.

While the latest official communication from Field Marshal Haig announces that only local actions have taken place in the new theater and that prisoners have been taken in the fighting, dispatches from headquarters assert that Roulers has been captured and that Courtrai, the junction point on the railway leading to Ghent, has been outflanked. The French troops alone are said to have taken 3000 prisoners, while the Belgians have captured several com-

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