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## WHAT AMERICA IS FIGHTING FOR

The little handful of U. S. senators who have been aiding Germany in every way possible by their advocacy of peace at any price, have demanded that the administration and congress make a concrete statement of what we are fighting for. President Wilson's answer to the peace proposals of Pope Benedictus last Tuesday furnishes them the statement they have been asking for. The President said:

"Every heart that has not been blinded by the blood that has been shed must be touched by the generous appeal of the Pope, and must wish that we might take the path that he points out as leading to the desired peace, but it would be folly to take that path if it did not lead to the goal which he proposes.

"In seeking this desired peace, we must be guided by facts and nothing else. The Pope proposes a stable peace, the present terrible sea of blood we must not be called upon to go through again.

"His Holiness proposes that we return to the status quo ante bellum, and that there be general disarmament based on mutual agreement, that freedom of the seas be established, and that questions of territorial adjustments between France, Italy, Serbia and Poland with the Central governments left to the conciliatory action of the peace conference.

"It is plain no part of the purposes of His Holiness can be accomplished unless the proposed status quo is to establish a basis for it. If the object of the proposal is to deliver the freedom of a people into the power of a vast military establishment, controlled by an irresponsible government, and aimed to dominate the world, which proceeded to carry out that domination regardless of its actions, which stopped at no barrier—observed no law of mercy—sweeping a continent in blood, slaughtering alike soldiers and non-combatants, women and children, which now stands balked but not defeated, the enemy of three-quarters of the peoples of the world—not the German people—it is our business to see to it that the world no longer trusts its life to its handling.

"His Holiness's proposal on the status quo would involve the possibility of a recuperation of this government's strength and its policy of world domination. It would result in the abandonment of the New Russian democracy to the intrigues of the enemy from without and the counter revolutions from within, and to the malign influence of the government which has shown to the world that it will stop at nothing. Can peace be based on such grounds?

"No stable peace can rest in security on enforced restrictions or economic benefits that serve the selfish interests of one party and not the other, or any kind of revenge or injury.

"The American people have suffered many wrongs at the hands of the German government.

"The right of governments, weak or strong, rests in their equal right to freedom and self-government, and to participate upon fair terms in the economical opportunity of the world—the Germans included, if they will still co-operate and not seek to dominate those countries.

"The test is based on the will of all people, not on an intriguing government on the one hand, or a group of free people on the other. This goes to the root of the matter.

"The purposes of the United States are known to the whole world. We seek no material advantage of any kind. Therefore we believe the wrongs done by Germany should be repaired, rather than that the sovereignty of small people should be trampled under foot. Punitive indemnities, the dismemberment of Europe, the establishment of leagues of intrigue, is inexpedient and will not fulfill the desired conditions for the establishment of a stable peace.

"We cannot take the word of the present ruler of Germany on anything unless it can be taken as the will of the German people themselves. Without such guarantees as other peoples of the world have built up about themselves, no man, no nation, can now depend on the word of the present government of Germany.

"We now await some new evidences of the purposes of the great people of the Central Powers that will restore the confidence of all people that they will enforce the respect of the rights of small nations, and thus bring the blessings of peace which the world so ardently desires."

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The Italian drive on Trieste is the beginning of the end for Austria. To begin with the Austrians are not a united people as are the Germans. There are many discontented elements in the Austro-Hungarian empire which are constantly fomenting plots against the government, and sedition awaits only a favorable opportunity to break into open rebellion in many quarters. Then, also, the Austrians have not established that cold-blooded efficiency in the administration of their internal affairs during the war that the Germans have. As a consequence, misery, distress and confusion prevail. The food supply, despite the aid of summer vegetables and fruits, is not any easier, and although enough is being produced for the present, starvation faces the poorer classes this winter. In the cities the deaths among the children often outnumber the births three to one. The discontent among the civilians, brought about by the hard conditions, has spread to the army, which is being rapidly demoralized. Whole regiments surrender at a time in many cases rather than fight. With Trieste won, the way lies open for Italy to invade the interior, and it would appear to be a matter of a few months at the most, until Austria will be brought to terms.

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"Every pacifist in this country," says Charles Edward Russell, "who goes about prattling for peace, every congressman who introduces a peace resolution, every senator that is playing the German game, is doing far more harm to the United States, to the cause of democracy, to the ideals of his country, than a million German soldiers on the battle line can do." Sincere or insincere, such proposals made in high places do enormous harm. Reports from Germany indicate that the entire German press has seized upon the latest outbreak of peace propaganda in America to inspire the German people with new hope and strengthen the malign purposes of their government.

## ROUND VALLEY

Covelo, Aug. 30—Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Biggar have returned from an auto trip to Oregon accompanied by Mrs. Biggar's mother and her niece, Mrs. Powell.

Anderson Thomas, assistant U. S. district attorney, and his brother, Robberd, of Ukiah, have returned from a hunting trip into southern Trinity county.

Frank Spurlock reports the loss of two fine horses, cut by barbed wire on his ranch last week.

The case of Bunny Waldron vs. McKnight to obtain damages for the injury of the former's automobile, resulted in a victory for Waldron.

Hoppeking is going on in full swing. It is thought that about four more days will finish the picking.

Gray district school began the term a week ago last Monday. Miss Henle, a normal graduate, is teaching.

Charles Hemenway took his son, Emerald, to the city for treatment Monday.

Mrs. Sarah Brown left Tuesday for Riverside county to visit her son, Ira Brown.

Theresa Lovell, who has been seriously ill with typhoid fever, is recovering.

Frank Orthman and family left Monday for a visit to relatives in the southern part of the state.

Mrs. Catherine Morrison, who has been spending the summer here, leaves soon for her home in Cloverdale.

## MISS ZELLA HIXON WEDS RENO ENGINEER

(Cloverdale Reville)

At Santa Rosa on Thursday of last week Miss Zella Irene Hixon, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hixon, residing in southern Mendocino, was quietly married at Santa Rosa. The groom is Emil Earl Fox, of Reno, Nevada. The young couple returned from a short honeymoon trip to the bay cities the early part of the week and are visiting with their relatives in this vicinity. They received the felicitations of a large number of friends, who had not been taken into the confidence of the young people, the wedding being a complete surprise to them. Mr. and Mrs. Fox will go to Nevada shortly, where Mr. Fox is employed as a civil engineer upon important work in that state.

## INVETERATE LIAR IS GIVEN TRUTH MEDAL

Because she was reputed never to have told a lie in all her life, Berenice Somers was presented with a truth medal. As a matter of fact, she was one of the worst fibbers that ever joined the Ananias club.

The funny part of it was that she had such a pious and innocent expression on her pretty face that she completely fooled everybody except her immediate friends, who ironically called her "Miss George Washington"—because she was so different. Dainty little Marguerite Clark is "Miss George Washington" in the photoplay of that name which is the Famous Players Paramount attraction at the Victory theatre, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 4th and 5th.

## GREENWOOD MAN DIED AT FT. BRAGG WEDNESDAY

Fort Bragg, Aug. 30—August Haare, aged 55 years, died here Wednesday morning from the effects of a cerebral hemorrhage. He was well known in Greenwood, where he had resided for some time. Deceased was a native of Germany, but took out naturalization papers in this country.

## RAY-HOWARD

Lester B. Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ray of Ukiah, and Miss Zelah Howard, daughter of Lou Howard, were united in marriage last Saturday evening at the Ray home in this city by Rev. Catchpole, of the Baptist church. Both bride and groom have a host of friends here who will join in extending congratulations.

## FIRE AT COVELO

A fire at Covelo early Tuesday morning destroyed several stalls in the rear of the stables belonging to Hill & Johnson.

County School Supt. Porterfield returned the first of the week from visiting schools about Spy Rock. She had a very interesting trip mule-back on a portion of the journey.

Marriage licenses were issued this week to Leandro Barsi and Gacolina Aquistapace, of Wendling, and Abraham Kalfankoski and Kaisa Gustava Korhonen, of Port Bragg.

## URGENT CALL FOR KNITTED WEAR TO RED CROSS

A bulletin bearing the following message has just been received by the Mendocino county chapter of the Red Cross:

"Give wide publicity to following cable from Major Grayson M. P. Murphy, director of the Red Cross commission to France: 'Last winter broke record for cold and misery among people here. Inexpressible dread of coming winter finding us without supplies to meet situation. Urge you on behalf of our soldiers and those of our allies who will suffer in their frozen trenches, and also thousands of French and Belgian refugees and repatriates being returned through Switzerland to France. Every one here looks to America. Begin shipping at once: 1,500,000 each of warm knitted woolen articles already requested. They must come before cold weather, and in view of the shortage of fuel and other discomforts, they will be of incredible value in both military and civilian work.'"

Of these sets 450 consisting of one sleeveless sweater, one pair socks, one pair wristlets and one muffler, have been allotted to this chapter. We were obliged to report this number impossible, but pledged that every effort would be made to supply 100 sets. Will not all who knit, whether members or not, help to make this pledge good, and for those who will learn, free lessons are given Tuesday and Friday at headquarters. Several have begun sweaters after the first lesson and now have them almost completed.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bartlett, who is in her ninety-first year, has just sent in a pair of beautifully made socks and promises to do more. Surely this should be an incentive to all.

The bulletin above quoted has this also: "Please have all your members understand that we do not want the least cessation of efforts of workers in production of surgical dressings and hospital garments. It will be your problem to organize so as to get more workers interested and the more constant efforts of those who are now giving so much of their time to the work of the Red Cross."

A circle was organized the past week in upper Potter with Mrs. A. F. Busch chairman, and one had been previously formed in lower Potter with Mrs. J. D. Brower chairman. Both have begun work.

Mrs. Farrer, of the Boonville circle and Miss Ekdahl, of the Redwood valley circle, sent in a bundle of nicely finished garments the first of the week.

Should other communities desire to organize circles, assistance will gladly be furnished by headquarters. A visit will be arranged if desired.

Plans are under way for the street fair and public market.

## LAKE CO. WATER CASE FOR TRIAL SEPT. 11TH

The trial of the case of the Yolo Water & Power Co. vs. Edmonds et al will come up in the Mendocino county superior court on Sept. 11th. This is one of the many Lake county water cases, in which the company is condemning certain property bordering Blue Lake, which will be overflowed by their dam across Cash creek in that county. The plaintiffs are being represented by Thomas & Thomas and Theodore Bell, while Preston & Preston are fighting for the other side. The following have been summoned as jurors:

F. F. Adams, E. C. Waugh, J. L. Brown, Fred C. Smith, W. R. Chandler, C. A. Busch, A. L. Reynolds, H. E. Ornbau, T. C. Farrance, A. P. Brunner, Ukiah; G. N. Zavitts, J. H. Von Ahnen, Caspar; M. Reilly, Navarro; Fred Sharp, T. E. Carey, Willets; J. C. Philbrick, Comptche; R. S. Lydick, A. J. Colberg, J. Granskog, A. C. Howard, Port Bragg; F. A. Albright, P. F. Tyson, Cleone; E. F. Alexander, Little River; C. A. McFaul, O. C. Lynch, Westport; C. B. Perry, Pudding Creek; A. J. Dilling, John Conway, Jr., Elk; V. R. Herbert, Albion; Chet Leavitt, Covelo; John Walsh, Howard Bishop, Bridgeport; J. A. McMaster, Mendocino; F. Brigden, Rollerville; John Brunges, Point Arena.

## COLUSA MAN GETS FINE AT FT. BRAGG

Fort Bragg, Aug. 30—James McDermott, a Colusa county rancher, went on a rampage here the other evening while on a spree, with the result that he was handled without gloves and fined \$100 for disturbing the peace.



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## Announcement

THE RECENT FIRE IN UKIAH DESTROYED MY PLACE OF BUSINESS AND STOCK OF MERCHANDISE. I AM AGAIN STARTING IN BUSINESS WITH A COMPLETE NEW STOCK OF MEN'S CLOTHING, FURNISHING GOODS, SHOES, HATS, AND LADIES' READY-TO-WEAR GOODS. MY STORE IS NOW FINISHED AND MY STOCK IS INSTALLED AND WILL BE ENLARGED CONSTANTLY. I AM PREPARED TO AGAIN SERVE MY FRIENDS AND PATRONS AS HERETOFORE WITH THE SAME LINE OF GOOD MERCHANDISE, AND WITH THE SAME COURTESY, AND WILL ATTEMPT TO SATISFY THEM WITH THE BEST THE MARKET CAN PRODUCE.

THANKING YOU FOR ALL PAST FAVORS.

**THE LEADER**  
S. Cohen

## THE WEATHER

Dr. McCowen reports the weather for the past week as follows: Maximum temperature 94; minimum 51. No rain since May.

Atty. Chas. Mannon returned Tuesday from a business trip to Covelo.

## A Hemming Tip

In sewing hems of towels or sheets or muslin, in starting them from the end place a piece of paper under the needle and sew through it for about two inches, then on to the hem. This will prevent the clogging of the thread and needle. Then after tearing off the paper the threads are there for tying the end.