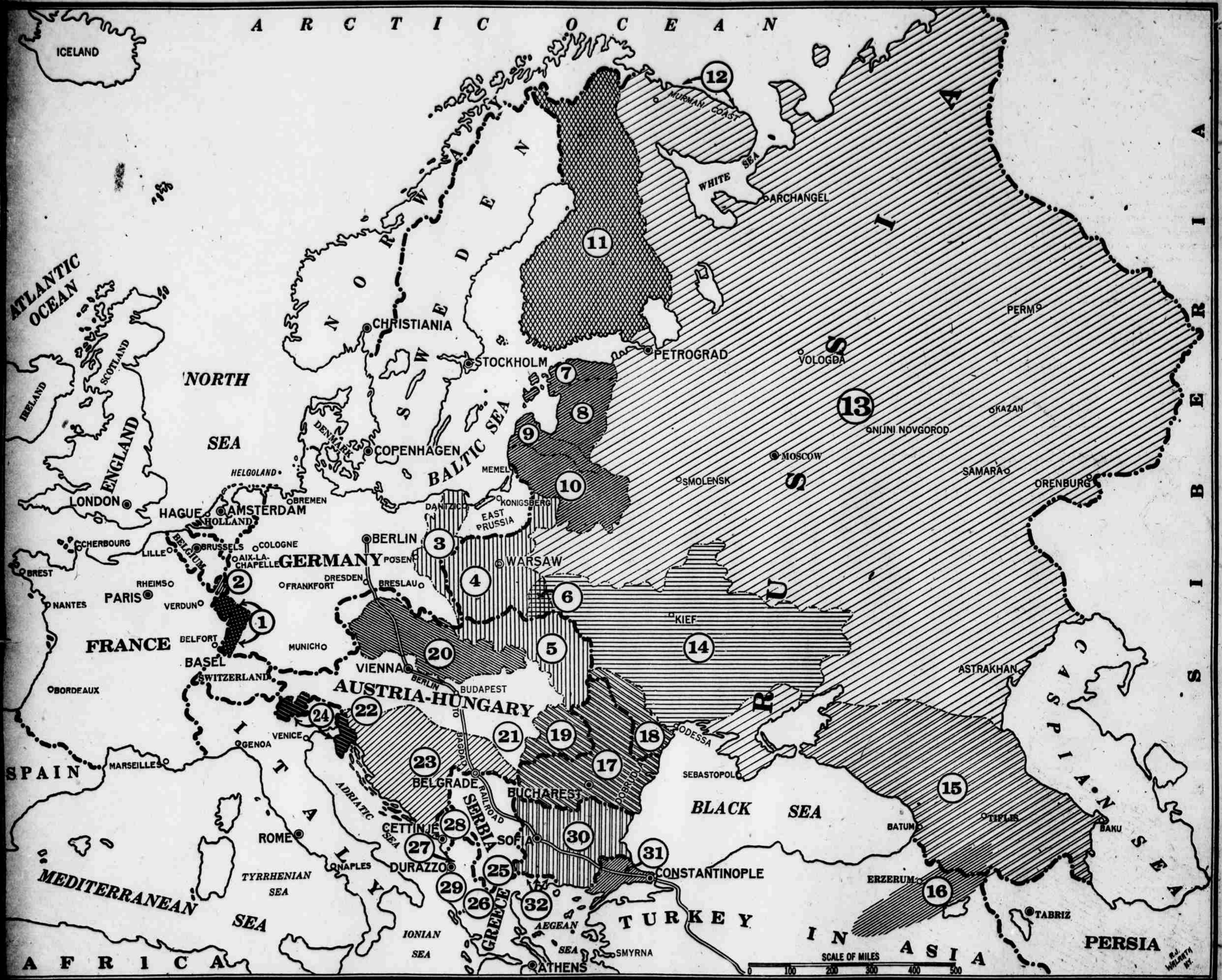


HOW THE ONLY PEACE ACCEPTABLE TO THE ALLIES WILL TRANSFORM THE MAP OF EUROPE



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(1) Alsace-Lorraine to be returned by Germany to France; (2) Luxemburg, now occupied by German troops, to be free or added to Belgium; (3) German Poland to be incorporated, (4) Russian Poland and (5) Austrian Poland, into a new Polish State; (6) District of Chelm, disputed by Ukraine and Poland, ultimate fate doubtful; (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), Estonia, Livonia, Courland, Lithuania and Finland, each of which may be independent or part of a federated Russia; (12) Norwegian Coast, in dispute between Russia and Finland; (13) Russia, now in chaos; whether it will be even further split up or become a federated State nearly or fully as large as Imperial Russia is still in doubt; (14) Ukraine, now separated from Russia, may remain independent or be part of a new Russia—this is also true of (15) the Caucasus; (16) Armenia to be definitely freed from Turkish control either as an independent or autonomous State; (17) Rumania proper, which will doubtless form a part of a greater Rumania, including (18) Bessarabia and (19) Transylvania; (20) Czechoslovakia, to be formed as an independent State out of Bohemia and Moravia, parts of Austria-Hungary; (21) Hungary, which, shorn of Transylvania, Croatia and other lands oppressed by Hungarians, may either be free or remain joined to Austria; (22) Austria, to be free or joined to what remains of Germany after the war; (23) Yugoslav lands of Austria-Hungary to form part of a great Yugoslav nation; (24) Italy Irredenta, to go to Italy; (25) Serbia, as she was prior to 1913, to be incorporated with (26) Macedonia (27) an outlet to the Adriatic Sea, and (28) Montenegro, into a great Yugoslav nation; (29) Albania, fate doubtful; (30) Bulgaria, as she was before the war, and may be after the Entente is through with her, though she hopes for accessions of territory in Dobruja and European Turkey; (31) European Turkey, the most probable thing about which is that it will no longer belong to Turkey when the new Europe based on German defeat becomes a reality; (32) the region about Drama, Seres and Kavalla to be returned to Greece by Bulgaria.

THE FOURTEEN POINTS ESSENTIAL TO PEACE SET FORTH BY PRESIDENT WILSON IN HIS ADDRESS TO CONGRESS ON JANUARY 8, 1918

The terms set forth by President Wilson as essential to peace in his address to Congress on January 8 last are as follows:

I.—Open covenants of peace, openly arrived at, after which there shall be no secret international understandings of any kind, but diplomacy shall proceed always frankly and in the public view.

II.—Absolute freedom of navigation upon the seas, outside territorial waters, alike in peace and in war, except as may be necessary to enforce international covenants.

III.—The removal, so far as possible, of all economic barriers and the establishment of an equality of trade conditions among all the nations consenting to the peace and associating themselves for its maintenance.

IV.—Adequate guarantees given and taken that national armaments will reduce to the lowest point consistent with domestic safety.

V.—Free, open-minded and absolutely impartial adjustment of all colonial claims, based upon a strict observance of the principle that in determining all such questions of sovereignty the interests of the population concerned must have equal weight with the equitable claims of the Government whose title is to be determined.

VI.—The evacuation of all Russian territory and such a settlement of all questions affecting Russia as will secure the best and freest co-operation of the other nations of the world in obtaining for her an unhampered and unembarrassed opportunity for the independent determination of her own political development and national destiny, and assure her of a sincere and welcome into the society of free nations under institutions of her own choosing; and, more than a welcome, assistance also of every kind that she may need and may herself desire. The treatment accorded Russia by her sister nations in the months to come will be the acid test of their good-will to their comprehension of her needs as distinguished from their own interests and of their intelligent and unselfish sympathy.

VII.—Belgium, the whole world will agree, must be evacuated and restored, without any attempt to limit the sovereignty which she enjoys in common with all other free nations. No other single act will serve as this will serve to restore confidence among the nations in the laws which they have themselves set and determined for the government of their relations with one another. Without this healing act the whole structure and validity of international law is forever impaired.

VIII.—All French territory should be freed and the invaded portions restored, and the wrong done to France by Prussia in 1871 in the matter of Alsace-Lorraine, which has unsettled the peace of the world for nearly fifty years, should be righted in order that peace may once more be made secure in the interest of all.

IX.—A readjustment of the frontiers of Italy should be effected along clearly recognizable lines of nationality.

X.—The peoples of Austria-Hungary, whose place among the nations we wish to see safeguarded and assured, should be accorded the freest opportunity of autonomous development.

XI.—Rumania, Serbia and Montenegro should be evacuated; occupied territories restored; Serbia accorded free and secure access to the sea; the relations of the several Balkan States to one another determined by friendly counsel along historically established lines of allegiance and nationality; and international guarantees of the political and economic independence and territorial integrity of the several Balkan States should be entered into.

XII.—The Turkish portions of the present Ottoman Empire should be assured a secure sovereignty, but the other nationalities which are now under Turkish rule should be assured an undoubted security of life and an absolutely unmolested opportunity of autonomous development, and the Dardanelles should be permanently opened as a free passage to the seas for all ships, subject to inspection and quarantine, and subject to such regulations as may be necessary to insure peace, safety, and health.

XIII.—An independent Polish State should be erected which should include the territories inhabited by indisputably Polish populations, which should be assured a free and secure access to the sea, and whose political and economic independence and territorial integrity should be guaranteed by international covenant.

XIV.—A general association of nations must be formed under specific covenants for the purpose of affording mutual guarantees of political independence and territorial integrity to great powers upon equal terms.