

WILSON AT PEACE TABLE DISCUSSED

Canvass of Newspaper Opinion Shows Majority Against Proposal

PRESIDENT'S PLACE HERE

Argue Opponents, While Advocates of Idea Say He Would Aid Deliberations

New York, Nov. 15.—The New York Times canvassed the leading newspapers of the country yesterday for opinion on the suggestion that President Wilson attend the Peace Conference, if it be held in Europe—

The expressions of editorial opinion published this morning, according to the facts telegraphed to the Times, are in a large majority of cases against the proposal.

The chief arguments advanced to show why the President should not attend a conference in Europe are:

First. That important domestic questions requiring his attention would be likely to arise in his absence, in Congress and out.

Second. That Mr. Wilson, as President, outranks the Prime Ministers who will attend the conference, and that out of this condition embarrassment might arise.

Third. The personal risk of travel in the mine-sown sea lanes.

The results of the canvass are here tabulated:

NO. YES. New York World Philadelphia Record New York Mail Boston Globe New York Times Cleveland Plain Dealer Philadelphia Inquirer Buffalo Express Boston Herald Baltimore Sun Dayton Journal Washington Post-Corner Wheeling Register Utica Press Buffalo Evening News Syracuse Journal Monticomb Advertiser Syracuse Post-Standard Cincinnati Commercial Tribune Press Chattanooga Times Commercial Appeal Richmond Times-Dispatch Minneapolis Tribune Burlington (Vt.) Free Press Hartford Courant Albany Knickerbocker New York Post-Intelligencer

NON-COMMITAL. Pittsburgh Gazette-Mail, Toledo Tribune, Cincinnati Enquirer. Comment on the proposal follows:

AGAINST. New York World—The place of the President of the United States during the present crisis is in the White House in relation to the peace conference in this country and at the seat of the Government of whose vast affairs he is charged with the direct administration. There is no express constitutional requirement preventing the President from leaving the country during the present crisis. But there is a tradition of this kind which goes back to the beginning of the Republic. Its validity has been repeatedly recognized.

The President can perform no service to the United States or to the world in personal attendance at the peace conference in Europe which he cannot as well perform from his official post in Washington. Boston Herald—The unwritten law of the Republic which forbids the President to go outside of its territory while holding office is essentially wise and desirable. With the present day methods of communication he can remain in absolutely close touch with the peace conference without being in actual presence. We, therefore, feel that it is time for a certain national modesty. With our President at the peace conference the world would naturally believe that we expected to assume a leadership in the reconstruction of the world and that, we think, we have no right to ask for ourselves or for the chosen head of our Republic.

FOR. Philadelphia Public Ledger—The suggestion that President Wilson attend in person the peace conference in a proposal which will have the unanimous support of the Allied world, and would make a special appeal to the forward thinkers, the war-weary toilers, the passionate believers in democracy, everywhere. They would feel that their foremost champion was at the peace table. Americans will favor the idea most warmly if they can be assured that the vitally important business of their own government can be arranged for in the absence of the Chief Executive.

Philadelphia Commercial Tribune—The suggestion that President Wilson personally attend the peace conference has much to recommend it. It is a novelty, the making of a new precedent, every one of which has its own value. President Wilson has had world-wide recognition as a leader in the contention for democracy. His domestic policies have appealed to the world. What more appropriate than that their author should sit in the historic body that is to give them final formulation in the wording of a treaty.

The New York Times gives its own opinion as follows:

"The place of the President is here. His absence from the country, his departure upon a voyage to the place of the conference, would be an occasion of serious concern to the people. It does not seem to us that the peace conference will call for the attendance of the President of the United States. He is expected to send delegates, not to go himself. However frequently it may be pointed out, here and abroad, that he is our Prime Minister, he is much more than that. In fact and in title he is the actual head of the State. There will be no member of that conference whom, in formal communications of amity and good will, he would address as 'great and good friend.' The people of the United States will not be able to dismiss from their minds the feeling of uneasiness in his taking part in a council where questions will be argued, positions be attacked and defended, differences of view thrashed out, as the saying goes."

STILL MAKE GAS MASKS HERE. Philadelphia Plant Has Received No Cancellation of Orders. There has been no cancellation of government orders for gas masks in Philadelphia, so the Hero Manufacturing Company, 1217 and Adams streets, the first American plant to turn out these essentials for men in service, is continuing its work according to schedule. Captain H. P. Scott, Jr., military director in charge of the plant, will go to

New York this week to confer with heads of the gas defense division of the chemical warfare service. He hopes to know definitely upon his return whether present orders will be filled or canceled and how much longer the plant will be under military supervision. "In any case," declared Captain Scott today, "we would not have to face the same problems as the Government gas defense plant in Long Island City. There, 12,500 men and women must be mobilized, and seek other work. The Hero Manufacturing Company expects to go back into its former work of manufacturing stamps and drawn metal ware and its employees will still be needed."

GRIP CHECKED IN CAMPS

Surgeon General Reports Great Decrease in Number of Cases

Washington, Nov. 15.—For the first time since Spanish influenza became epidemic in army camps at home, the Surgeon General's weekly report shows the disease effectively checked, with indications of further improvement. Figures made public today record a decrease of about one-third in the number of cases for the week ending November 8 as compared with the previous week. The total was 5827, as compared with 18,175.

The epidemic now is wearing itself out in the West, the last section to be affected. Marked improvement generally was shown in the pneumonia situation. A mild epidemic of scarlet fever was reported at Camp Hancock, Va., with fifty-one cases during the week.

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All new Fall and Winter patterns in plain and fancy stripes.

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\$5 Cut Glass \$2.45 (Various Cuttings) Every Piece Wonderful Value—And Exactly Half Price!



Include 12-inch square vase, two-piece footed orange bowl, four-footed orange bowl and 9-inch deep footed compote. Various combinations floral and mitre cuttings. Main Arcade and Third Floor

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Twenty-Seventh Anniversary Sale Eighty departments take part in presenting astonishing bargains. All Goods Purchased During This Month To Be Charged On December Bill, Payable in January, 1919.

ECONOMY SPECIAL TO-MORROW The Price is for the One Day Only! Boys' \$1.50 Extra-Heavy Union Suits \$1.25



The Supremacy of This Store in Value-Giving Stands Forth More Pronounced Than Ever With the Anniversary Sale's Stirring Bargains!

Misses' Ultra-Chic Velour Coats at \$19.50

Head the List of Noteworthy Offerings Of fine quality velour, boucle, cheviot and broadcloth in all new shades. Beautiful black coney collars or velvet-inlaid collars. Lined to waist or throughout with satin. One pictured.



Misses' Velour Coats \$25

These loose-hanging models are especially graceful in design. Have belts, loose flaps at sides, kit coney pockets and kit coney or beaver plush collars. Many lined throughout with satin. One pictured.

Misses' Hand-some Coats \$32.50

Velour and broadcloth. One pictured. Full sweep, belted fashions, showing novel pockets, kit coney, black plush or cloth collars and satin linings throughout.

Misses' Fur-Trim-med Coats \$47.50

Australian opossum or beautiful seal shawl collars enhance the richness and beauty of these styles. One sketched. Of velour de laine or silvertone. Some have loose flaps at side, prettily stitched and button trimmed. They are handsomely lined throughout with peau de cygne.

Extraordinary Suits at \$39.75

Of fine quality velour in navy blue, brown and taupe. Jackets have inverted or box plait, convertible collar and peau de cygne with trimmings to correspond to coat. One pictured.

Women's Charming Serge Dresses \$19.50

A particularly fascinating style shows collarless waist piped in contrasting color, embroidered satin giraffe, fringes and sash. Full-plaited skirt. Also handsome styles with shawl collar and cuffs of satin, braided design in front and skirt with panels.

Women's Fur-Trimmed Suits \$59.75

Topped with beautiful seal collars and cuffs or Australian opossum or nutria shawl collars. The season's richest and most fashionable materials, including velour de laine, silvertone, velour and velvet in favorite shades.

Jewelry & Silverware That Speak Their Own Worth

With the gift season here, these Anniversary Sale Specials hold very particular interest.

Men's \$15 Gold-Filled Watches, \$7.45 Thin models with seven-jewel full nickel movements. Open face. Cases are plain polished and guaranteed for twenty years.

\$7.50 Solid Gold \$4.98 Lavallieres Colored stone settings. Heavy gold chains.

\$8.50 to \$12 Solid-Gold Bracelets, \$5.98, \$7.50 & \$8.98 Square and round tubing.

\$2 to \$3.50 French Pearl Earrings \$98c An importer's surplus stock—for unpierced ears. Every size.

\$6 Hard Metal Bread Trays \$3.98 Quadrupled plated—Stamped Sheffield. Bright finished, pierced ends and handles.

Misses' & Women's Gold-Filled Bracelets Engraved. Have secret locks. Guaranteed for twenty years. \$2.50 Values \$1.19 \$5 and \$6 Values \$2.95 \$7.50 Values \$3.95

Dorothea Pearls, \$3.50

Silver-Plated Tableware Half Price A very pretty pattern just discontinued. Dinner Knives, each 20c Table & Dessert Spoons, Forks, Butter Knives and Fruit Knives, each 15c Tea Spoons, Fruit Knives, each 10c Gravy Ladles and Berry Spoons, each 25c

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\$18 Wool Blankets, Pair \$15

Pink or blue borders. 70x80 inches.

\$8 Fleece-down Blankets, pair \$6.98 White, tan and gray with pink or blue borders. For double beds.

Lambs'-Wool Comfortables \$13.98 American satine covering in pretty designs. Double-bed size.

Cotton-Filled Comfortables \$5.50 Covered with figured silkline. Plain satine borders.

Hundreds of Men Yesterday Took Advantage of Philadelphia's Greatest Overcoat Sale—There's Enough for Hundreds More to Take Advantage Today!

Handsome \$35 Overcoats \$26.50 From One of the Best-Known Makers A Sensational Purchase Brings Us These Superbly Tailored Overcoats in the Season's Newest, Most Wanted Styles, the Ulsterette and Double-Breasted Skirt Models. Fourteen different patterns—splendid assortment of them in stylish, new dark mixture effects. All Sizes Included. Come as Early as You Can, While Choosing Is Best

Boys Military and Ulsterette Overcoats \$12.75 Choose from cassimeres and chevits in the most wanted patterns. Sizes 9 to 18.

Boys' High-Grade Mackinaws \$10 Splendid sturdy, serviceable coats in warm materials, including checks and blanket plaids. Sizes 6 to 18.

Boys' \$10 Norfolk Suits \$6.75 Fancy chevits, cassimeres, etc. Sizes 6 to 18.

Boys' Flannel-Lined Corduroy Trench Coats \$7.50 Tan and brown. Sizes 6 to 18.

The Anniversary Sale in This Section Is Re-enforced With A Purchase of Big & Little Girls' Coats at 50c on the Dollar

Thousands of them, representing a well-known New York maker's class. They are divided into four lots.

Girls' \$13.50 Winter Coats \$8.98 Baby lamb cloth, army cloth, wool tweed, etc. Some have four patch pockets. Others are belted models with large collars and fur-cloth trimmings. Sizes 8 to 14 years.

Girls' \$18.50 Coats \$12.98 Navy, brown or Oxford gray cheviot. Some have military collar and pockets; others have large collars, belts and pockets. Sizes 8 to 14 years.

Big Girls' \$25 Coats \$17.98 Wool velour in navy, blue, green and brown, with fur-cloth trimmings, patch pockets and belt. Some have fur-cloth collars. Sizes 14 and 16 years. Two pictured.

Little Girls' \$6.50 to \$13.50 Coats. \$4.95, \$5.98, \$7.98 to \$9.98 Velvet, corduroy, velour plush and wool plush in brown, navy, green, burgundy and Copenhagen. Empire and belted effects with novelty buttons. Lined and interlined. Sizes 2 to 8 years. One pictured.

\$4.25 All-Wool FRENCH SERGE, \$3.69 51-inch. In taupe, dark green, plum, remède, dark brown, battleship gray, burgundy, navy and black.

\$5.25 Wool Gabardine, \$4.65 51-inch. Taupe, dark brown, burgundy, dark green, navy, midnight blue and black.

\$4 Wool Poplin, \$3.75 50-inch. In taupe, remède, Pekin, battleship gray, plum, dark green, dark brown, navy, midnight blue and black.

Anniversary Shoe Sale Continues With Its Marvelous Offerings Scarcely ever have we known of so important a shoe event—surely not this year, nor for a long time to come.

Women's \$6 Novelty Shoes \$4.79 Gray, brown and tan kid, patent sole, black kid and gunmetal. Colored cloth tops. Plain and tipped yamps. Walking and dress heels. All sizes. Wonderful values!

Women's Fine Sample Shoes, \$3.45 Gray and white buck, brown kid, gunmetal, patent colt-skin and tan calf. Plain and fancy effects. Wood and leather heels. All sizes and widths.

Men's \$6 Shoes, \$4 English and broad toe lasts. Black kid and calf. Welted soles and leather heels. All sizes and widths.

Boys' & Girls' Serviceable Shoes at Worthwhile Economies

Infants' Shoes, 1 to 6, at \$1.49 to \$2.50 Children's Shoes, 4 to 8, at \$1.79 to \$3.50 Girls' Shoes, 8 1/2 to 11, at \$2.29 to \$4 Misses' Shoes, 11 1/2 to 2, at \$2.49 to \$5 Boys' Shoes, 10 to 13 1/2, at \$2.39 to \$4 Boys' Shoes, 1 to 6, at \$2.89 to \$5 Young Women's Shoes, 2 1/2 to 7, at \$1.95 to \$7.50 Wanted leathers. Straight and wing tips.

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Women's Fur Trimmed Coats Velour and Silvertone Coats in belted and semi-fitted models, with shawl and high collars of Taupe Nutria and Hudson Seal. In all the leading shades. Sizes 34 to 44. Very Special—59.50

Coats & Coates Women's Daytime Coats Fashioned in the season's latest vogue, Velveteen and Fur Cloth, with roll, shawl or adjustable collars. Stunning new Coats of Velour De Laine, Loupine and Normandy Cloth (a new heavy Winter fabric). Some with collars of Hudson Seal. All lined and heavily interlined. Very Special—39.50

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350 Georgette and Crepe de Chine Blouses Eight distinctive models. Unusual Blouses of Georgette Crepe. White, flesh, bisque and suit shades, charming collar effects, various trimmings. Three models illustrated. For Saturday Only—8.75

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