

PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE TELLS OF THE PEACE TREATY

Says Preliminary Treaty Will be Ready by Easter—Germans Will be Asked to Sign It at the End of Easter or the Beginning of May—Affirms That There is No Divergence Among the Negotiators—Asks People to Withhold Judgment Until the Peace Commissioners Have Finished Their Work.

Paris, April 6.—The preliminary peace treaty will be ready by Easter, said Premier Lloyd George today in an interview with Stephen Lauzanne, editor of the Matin.

In answer to a remark by M. Lauzanne that what troubled public opinion was not so much the delay as the secrecy in which the peace negotiations were wrapped, and the fear that there was some divergence of opinion, the British premier said: "I affirm absolutely that there is no divergence among the negotiators. They are often confronted with technical difficulties which can only be settled after close study, and the question of reparations. In substance the allies have one common principle, which I once set forth thus: 'Germany must pay up to the last farthing of her power.'"

"But it is sufficient to draw up a bill and hand it to the enemy? Must we not require guarantees and must we not study the terms, methods and forms of delayed payments? Must we not be able to say to our adversary when he demands inadequacy of resources: 'Yes, you can go as far as that and you must do it and you must do that.' In a word, shall we simply propose a bill or collect the money, all the money possible? Well, that is where the work comes in, slow and difficult work, complicated by the fact that technical experts of the highest capabilities and great experience are not in agreement among themselves either as to the method of liquidation or as to the assets to be realized."

"No," he said, "there is no divergence among the negotiators, but, alas, there are inevitable ones among the experts, often among those from the same country. Who is to decide between them? It is not for me to decide. I think it can always be done quickly."

General Strike to Begin in Berlin Today

Work of Independent Socialists and Spartacists — Troops Reinforced.

Berlin, Saturday, April 6.—(By The A. P.)—The Independent Socialists and Spartacists decided today by a vote of 10,000 to 3,000 to begin a general strike in Berlin Monday. The majority sought to limit the movement, but the employees of the large machine and metal works carried the day for those favorable to a strike.

The government troops in Berlin have been reinforced.

THE RAINBOW DIVISION HAS STARTED FOR HOME

Coblenz, Saturday, April 6.—(By The A. P.)—Two more trainloads of happy, smiling soldiers of the Forty-Second (Rainbow) Division started this afternoon for home by way of Coesfeld. The soldiers composed the 16th Infantry Regiment, New York city's headquarters and attached units left this morning.

There were cheers, but no tears, as the train pulled out. The soldiers were in the highest spirits as they waved farewells to their comrades who are to follow within the next few days. German civilians stood in the background, but gave no indication of their feelings. In the railroad yard near Remagen, where the soldiers of the Rainbow Division boarded their trains for Coesfeld, there are a number of soldiers from the Fourth (regular) Division who are scheduled to say on the Rhine until the job is done. They looked both ways as the faces today as the trains pulled out.

Condensed Telegrams

Italy removed export ban on cotton goods. Strict silence is being kept by the navy about the ocean cable. No Connecticut men killed in Sunday's casualty list, the state corrections board says. Four aviators were killed and two injured when their planes crashed near Wittlich, near Treves.

A violent volcanic eruption resulted in the death of many persons 150 miles southwest of Pernambuco, Brazil. Lieutenant Harry Hawker, of the British army will make an attempt to pilot his machine over the Atlantic by Thursday.

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Revolution in Korea

A Carrier Pigeon Helped Save Life

Carried Message From Flying Boat Adrift, Without Gas, Off South Jersey Coast.

Atlantic City, N. J., April 6.—A blue-coated carrier pigeon was instrumental in saving the life of a young man, a navy aviator, adrift in a flying boat without fuel in a rough sea late last night, while Judge Joseph Burlington of the Circuit Court of the United States appears for Pennsylvania in court.

CHINA URGES NULLIFICATION OF DEMANDS MADE BY JAPAN

Paris, Saturday, April 6.—(By The A. P.)—Nullification of the twenty-two demands made by Japan early in 1915 is urged by the Chinese government in an official statement cabled from Peking after the long and arduous peace negotiations.

SECRETARY BAKER TO SAIL ON LEVIATHAN TODAY

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PRESIDENT WILSON BETTER, BUT STILL REMAINS IN BED

His Physician Permitted Him to Receive the Other American Peace Commissioners Sunday Afternoon—Had a Good Night Saturday Night and His Temperature Was Normal Sunday Morning.

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VICE ADMIRAL SIMS DUE TO ARRIVE TODAY

New York, April 6.—(By The A. P.)—Vice Admiral William S. Sims, commander of the American Asiatic fleet, is expected to arrive in New York today. He will receive a welcome commensurate with his achievements on his arrival aboard the Cunard liner Mauretania tomorrow.

GERMANY EAGER TO RENEW COMMERCIAL RELATIONS

Trèves, Saturday, April 6.—(By The A. P.)—Determined attempts by Germany to re-establish commercial relations with the allied countries, as soon as possible are revealed through an examination of correspondence, which, under an authorization issued recently, is now pouring in from the American consuls in Germany.

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