

WILSON SEEKS TO END QUARREL OF ITALIANS AND JUGO-SLAVS

with the internal affairs of any of its members.

While the amendment does not mention the Monroe Doctrine, it is tacitly understood to apply to it.

Some of the members of the American delegation are inclined to accept an amendment on such lines, feeling that it would meet the demand of the United States for some declaration in the spirit of the Monroe Doctrine.

Delegates to the conference of neutral states devoted considerable time yesterday to the discussion of the article of the League of Nations covenant which provides for coercive measures against a state breaking relations with the League without submitting its grievances to the executive body of the League.

Lord Robert Cecil, who presided, said that if small states were allowed to refrain from military action, the forces of other states should be given permission to pass over their territories.

Premier Venizelos of Greece declared during the discussion that purely defensive alliances would be allowed under the League of Nations covenant.

The principle that armaments should be reduced to a minimum was recognized by the conference.

MORE ARMY TRANSPORTS ARE HEADING THIS WAY

Detachment of 147th Infantry on Maui, Artillery and Air Troops on Arizonian.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Transport sailings with troops returning from France were announced to-day by the War Department as follows:

The Maui is due at New York March 26, with the field and staff, headquarters, machine gun and supply companies, medical detachment and Companies A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, L and M of the 147th Infantry (37th Sherman). On board also are several companies of colored troops from New Jersey, South Carolina and Illinois, the headquarters of the 73d Infantry Brigade and five convalescent detachments. Brig. Gen. Sanford B. Stanbery, commanding the 73d Brigade, is among the casual officers on board.

La Touraine, due at New York about March 23, has four casual companies of men from various localities.

The Arizonian is due at New York April 2, with the 3d Ordnance Detachment, Park Battery, Medical Detachment, Motor Section Headquarters and Truck Companies A, B, E and F of the 5th Coast Artillery (B, B, B, 17th, 21st, 25th, 30th, 31st and 33d Aero Squadrons.

RAINBOW MEN TO EMBARK FROM FRANCE, NOT HOLLAND

Will Sail Shortly After 26th Division, Which Leaves the Middle of April.

PARIS, March 22.—The Rainbow Division will embark from Brest or St. Nazaire, instead of Antwerp or Rotterdam, as previously planned, it was announced to-day. The division will sail shortly after the 26th, which is scheduled to leave the middle of next month.

Before starting from Germany the Rainbow men will undergo delousing and other embarkation formalities, so their stay in port will be brief. Special arrangements have been made to make the journey to the French coast as comfortable as possible.

KAISER AND WILSON HELD AS BURGLAR SUSPECTS

Names Lead to Arrest and Detectives Say They Found Robbers' Kits.

The offended dignity of three detectives resulted in the arrest of two young men strolling through the Parkville section of Brooklyn with complete kits of burglars' tools.

The interest they showed in houses they passed might have indicated they intended moving there, but Detectives Fitzpatrick of the Parkville station had doubts. He called Detectives Tubman and Meyers and they stopped the pedestrians.

"Who are you?" demanded Fitzpatrick.

"Wilson," replied the man addressed.

"And you?" asked Fitzpatrick of the other.

"Kaiser," was the response.

"You're too fresh—I guess we'll search you," Fitzpatrick decided.

The detectives say they found jump suits, caps, masks, skeleton keys and a revolver in searching the two men.

"Thought you were smart with that Wilson and Kaiser stuff," said Fitzpatrick at the Police Station.

"I wasn't fresh," answered one of the prisoners said, "I'm Frank Wilson, No. 5105 25th Avenue, and this is George Kaiser, No. 4809 17th Avenue."

ITALY DENIES MAKING THREAT TO WITHDRAW FROM CONFERENCE UNLESS SHE GETS FIUME PORT

"Report Absolutely Untrue," Says Capt. Ferucol, Head of the Italian Press Bureau—Story Had Caused Much Excitement.

PARIS, March 22 (United Press).—Captain Ferucol, head of the Italian Press Bureau, to-day made the following statement: "Reports that the Italian delegation has threatened to withdraw from the Peace Conference if Italy is not given Fiume are absolutely untrue."

The flat statement was cabled yesterday from Paris that Italy had made the threat which is above denied. The report aroused widespread concern. Col. House was quoted as saying a plan was under way to avert trouble.

A despatch to the Associated Press, dated yesterday, was received to-day, which says: "Hope was expressed to-night (Friday) in Peace Conference circles that by the first of next week a plan would be presented which would surmount the difficulty in the way of completion of the peace-making work of the conference raised by the threat of Italy to withhold approval of any Peace Treaty not definitely settling the Italian Jugo-Slav controversy. President Wilson has the whole question before him, and it is from him that the plan upon which hope of a satisfactory settlement is based is looked for."

TRACTION TRUST TO FIGHT TO FINISH FOR SUBWAY GRIP

Ready to Resist Any Effort Looking to Receiver for Interborough, Says Shonts.

Following the appointment of James R. Sheffield as receiver for the Interborough Consolidated Corporation, a \$50,000,000 holding company controlling approximately 97 per cent. of the stock of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company and 85 per cent. of the stock of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company and 85 per cent. of the stock of the "green car" lines, Theodore P. Shonts said he and his associates would fight to the bitter end against any further receiverships.

The Interborough Consolidated is merely a holding company. The Interborough Rapid Transit Company operates the subway and elevated lines. It was learned to-day there is practically no likelihood of a receiver for the latter company being asked, as it will be able to meet all its debts during the year.

It was suggested to-day that the three receivers—Lindley M. Garrison of the B. R. T., Job E. Hedges of the New York Railways Company and Mr. Sheffield—might, by working in harmony and with the assistance of Federal Judge Mayer, be able to find a solution of the city traffic problems in the unification of all the traction properties.

Mr. Hedges suggested that any move in this direction should be inaugurated by Judge Mayer and said the Judge "might consider it." Mr. Hedges has what "insiders" consider the least desirable of the three receiverships. He came from his office, perspiration showing on his brow, and assured newspaper men he had nothing to say because he had too much work to do.

Up to noon Receiver Sheffield had not taken possession of the Interborough Consolidated offices. At his law office, No. 52 William Street, a clerk announced that "Mr. Sheffield will not be available to-day."

Gov. Smith, who is in the city to-day, declined to comment on the tract situation. His friends, however, denied a story that he had entered into an agreement with Mayor Hylan, W. R. Hearst and Comptroller Craig to force municipal ownership of all transit lines in New York City. It was said while he is in favor of municipal ownership and operation of street railways, he is taking no active part in bringing it about.

"FORTUNATE FOR PUBLIC," DECLARES CRAIG

Mayor Hylan and Corporation Counsel Burr had no comment to make on the new receivership, but Comptroller Craig said:

"Everybody knows that the Interborough Consolidated is the holding company for the 'fall ends' of the old Metropolitan Street Railway Company. It was organized to unload on the public and it is a fortunate thing that the receivership has interfered with the unloading operation. Neither the receivership of the Interborough Consolidated nor the New York Railways Company affects in the slightest degree the city's contract with the Interborough Rapid Transit Company for the operation of the city-owned subways and equipment."

Judge Mayer's appointment of Mr. Sheffield late yesterday resulted from the failure of the Rapid Transit Company to pay a dividend. The directors of the Rapid Transit Company have "deferred" action on the dividend for the first quarter of this year. It will not be paid.

These dividends formed the larger part of the income of the Consolidated Company. As a result of the passing of the dividend, the Consolidated Company finds itself unable to pay the interest on Inter-Met. 4 1/2 per cent. collateral bonds due April 1. The application for a receivership for the Consolidated Company was made by three holders of these bonds. In the judgment of financiers, the securities that form the assets of the Consolidated Company are not seriously impaired by the bankruptcy proceedings. The action of yesterday differs widely from that taken in the case of the New York Railways Company.

The latter was an equity action for the appointment of a receiver. The action in the case of the Consolidated Company is an involuntary petition in bankruptcy. The receiver, in such a proceeding, is custodian of the property of the concern only until the creditors meet and agree on a procedure and elect a trustee, who thereupon takes over the management of the company.

Mr. Sheffield, therefore, may not have control of the Consolidated Company long, unless the creditors should choose him as trustee. This was one of the reasons why Judge Mayer set his bond at only \$25,000. SHONTS NOT TO RESIGN; HOLDS CITY RESPONSIBLE.

Theodore P. Shonts, President of the Interborough Consolidated Company as well as of the New York Railways and the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, will not resign the Presidency of any of these companies. He was asked to-day whether he would resign, and his answer was: "Not on your life!"

Mr. Shonts, however, holds the city officials directly responsible for the failure of the traction concerns, and he seems disposed to believe the story that Mayor Hylan and Comptroller Craig might welcome receiverships, in the belief that municipal ownership can be brought about that way. He said as much to-day, and added:

"If that was the purpose, it makes it all the more wicked." The attitude of the company seems to be that the City Administration has withheld its consent to increased fares and welcomed a receivership, thereby making possible municipal ownership and operation. On the other hand, there is a disposition in certain financial quarters to believe that financial interests intend to unload the surface lines on the city for the Hylan Administration to experiment with, while they keep the well paying Interborough Rapid Transit Company.

DR. WILKINS PLEADS FOR A SPEEDY TRIAL; PROSECUTOR AGREES

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of my boyhood in Maine up to the present I have lived a blameless life. "It is sad enough when the evening of my life has to be spent in a prison cell under such a charge as this without seeking to attribute other things to me. My wife was my companion; she was my nurse. There was absolutely no motive for me to commit such a crime as is charged against me. There is every motive for me wanting her to live."

Dr. Wilkins denied that Mrs. Wilkins had gone into the house or had removed the hat because she was attending to her hat. The hat was found on the floor, the reason being that she had taken it off to go around. It rests with the lady. When she has danced a few minutes with one chap she may properly leave him for another.

The Prince is a fine fellow and when he sticks to the one-step a splendid dancer. He has not mastered the fox trot. He is very gallant.

"You American girls," he said, "are the finest dancers in the world. If I had my way about it I should have a stipend of Yankee girls come to England to teach our girls how to dance."

"I liked him very much indeed," said the reporters, in chorus. "But there isn't a man in the world to compare with the American soldier," said the girl from the Back Bay, "and I like him—every one of them—most of all."

BOLSHEVIKI WORST FOE U. S. SOLDIERS HAVE MET IN WAR

Wounded Men, Home From Archangel, Tell of Battles With Mercury 30 Below.

Home from Archangel with chilblains and frozen feet and other injuries, seventeen American soldiers, who arrived to-day among the 2,253 army passengers on the auxiliary cruiser Louisville, declared that of all the enemies the Yankee soldier has had to fight the toughest and the worst is the Bolsheviki.

The seventeen wounded and sick men were attached to the 539th Infantry. They got to Archangel on Sept. 6 and fought the wharfed army two months. Sometimes it was 29 or 30 degrees below zero.

"Our first surprise," said Private Alfred Stavikoff, "was to find the Bolsheviki equipped with the latest French gun and machine guns. We wondered at this, but they were part of the equipment France sent to Russia before the crash."

"The Lenin-Trotsky army has plenty of ammunition, and in many instances is led by German officers. I know this, because on Oct. 29 we took three German officers prisoners. They all died."

"When we reached Archangel and were sent out 100 miles along the Vologda Railway we were poorly prepared. We had no snow shoes and no fur lined coats. But our services were badly needed and we went on. On Sept. 16 we met the Bolsheviki for the first time, fought all day and all night and had four killed and fifteen wounded."

"I was put out of the game about 350 miles from Archangel when a Bolsheviki surprised me. I did not know how to manipulate snow shoes—by that time we were well equipped—and I was shot in the body and in the legs."

"Almost without exception the American soldiers in Russia want to come home. They feel that they have had a rough deal. There were 5,000 Americans up here I was and only 800 British."

On the Louisville were ten officers and 84 enlisted men convalescing from wounds or illness. There was also the 11th Air Service Construction Company which saw a year's service in England, comprising three officers and 24 men, a detachment of the 148th Infantry of the 27th Division, thirteen officers and 825 men, most of these were replacement men who joined in New York prior to the regiment's sailing in June, 1918. They came from the New York and New Jersey drafts.

Other ships due to-day are: Argentina, 1,183 men; Francaise, 963 men; Culgoa, 104 men.

Wireless reports received at the Port of Embarkation announced that the Nordern, with 1,800 troops, and Von Steuben, with 2,753 men, are due to-night at Ambrose Light and will dock at Hoboken early in the morning. The cruiser Huntington with 2,045 troops will dock early in the morning at Pier No. 7, Hoboken. The Zacaupa, due at noon to-morrow, will anchor in Gravesend Bay and her 397 men will be taken to Hoboken. The Matsouka, with 3,328 men, is also due to-morrow.

The Antigonie is scheduled to reach Ambrose Light at 8 o'clock on Monday morning.

The George Washington, with 2,023 troops is due at 4 P. M. on Tuesday.

WAR BRIDES HOME TO-DAY WITH HUSBANDS



CHIEF PETTY OFFICER W. S. BROWER AND HIS BRIDE.



ENSEIGN J. C. KEENAN AND HIS BRIDE.



JOHN M. LATHAM AND HIS BRIDE.

TENANTS ON DRIVE APPEAL TO SWANN TO BAR RENT BOOST

Civil Action in Courts Planned If District Attorney Is Unable to Act.

Legal action, in the criminal and in the civil courts, was threatened to-day by the tenants of the Langhorn apartment house, No. 869 Riverside Drive, against the owners, who are trying to raise the rents.

Henry S. Miller, an attorney, has been made counsel of the tenants and this morning he appealed to District Attorney Swann to investigate the charge that a nominal change of ownership in the property was made for the purpose of breaking leases and advancing rents. "Certain evidence" intended to lead to criminal investigation was laid before Assistant District Attorney Talley by Mr. Miller. Mr. Talley communicated with Mr. Swann and a John Doe proceeding may result.

It is found that the District Attorney's office has no ground for action, the tenants propose to start a civil proceeding, seeking an injunction to prevent the new owner, the Bergmill Holding Corporation, from carrying out its threat to evict all tenants who refuse to sign new leases at increased rentals.

A meeting of tenants was held last evening in the apartment of Samuel Newman. Afterward it was said that all the tenants were either present or represented and that they decided unanimously to "sit tight" to refuse to sign new leases, and to refuse to move. Lloyd Willis was made Chairman of a Permanent Tenants' Committee and Henry S. Miller was made Secretary.

As a third legal move it is planned to institute proceedings in a magistrate's court based on alleged conspiracy.

A report that seventeen of the forty-eight tenants had signed new leases was flatly denied.

The time limit given tenants to sign that date—as was done in many Harlem tenement rent strikes some time ago—they will consider what action to take under the terms of their leases. Most of the leases are now written have one year or more to run.

GIRL IS MISSING AGAIN.

Adelle V. Kramer, the pretty stenographer of No. 54 Manhattan Avenue, whose disappearance on Dec. 23 last created a small sensation and who was found eight days later in a shack on the Jersey shore, suffering from amnesia, is again among the missing.

The young woman went out for a short time from her home on Thursday morning and has not since been seen by her mother. Most of the houses are now written have one year or more to run.

N. Y. IN NO DANGER OF HARBOR STRIKE TYING UP UTILITIES

More Tugs Operating and Coal for Power Houses Reported Assured.

New York will not have to walk as a result of the harbor strike.

More tugs and lighters were operating to-day than at any time since the harbor workers went on strike, March 4. Coal for the powerhouses of the Interborough and B. R. T. is assured. Paul Honeyng, counsel for the private boat owners, said three of the most powerful tugs in the harbor were put in operation to-day to handle coal for the public utilities. He said there would be no coal shortage.

Evidence that more boats are returning to work was also seen at Erie's headquarters, No. 24 Park Place. Where the W. W. Aldrich Towing Company signed up, the firm having two tugs and a string of coal barges.

William A. Baker, Vice President of the Masters, Mates and Pilots' Union, said a total of thirty-four independent boat owners had signed union agreements. Some of them have several boats. Of these only four are members of the private boat owners' association.

At the New York Tugboat Exchange, No. 41 Broadway, the 23 private boat owners have a force of men at work despatching the tugs now in operation. Food and coal are being moved first, and it was said more tugs are operating to-day than at any time since the strike was called. The number would not be disclosed.

A speedy settlement of the strike seems unlikely, both sides apparently having settled down to a fight-to-the-death.

27TH SOLDIERS ARE FREED.

Woman, Whose Auto They Took, Thinks They Only Wanted Ride.

Mrs. Margaret Dunne of No. 122 East 155th Street appeared in the Yorkville Police Court to-day, when three soldiers of the 27th Division were arraigned before Magistrate Postlethwaite for the theft of her automobile.

The lady gallantly told the court that she believed that the boys had borrowed the machine for a joy ride and that she did not wish to prosecute them. The soldiers were thereupon discharged and will be able to participate in Tuesday's parade.

MANY WAR BRIDES REACH NEW HOMES ON BIG TROOPSHIP

Baby Born to Scotch Wife of Sailor as Storm Rocks Cruiser Louisville.

The auxiliary cruiser Louisville, which arrived to-day from Brest, was truly a victory ship returning from the wars. She brought back the sons of Mars and the sons of Neptune and the garlands of olives were interwoven with wreaths of orange blossoms, for there were brides galore for the fighting sons of war.

Cupid rode triumphant over the waves, except on one occasion, when Father Neptune arose in his wrath; but immediately subsided when he saw the mischief he had done. The voyage up to March 15 had been all that could be wished for by the 27 wives of American sailors and 24 wives of American soldiers. Then a storm arose and the seas were lashed into mighty furies. And in the night a boy, 8 1/2 pounds in weight, was born to the wife of John Kemm, a sailor and resident of Philadelphia.

An operation was necessary and it was successfully performed by Lieut. Commander Dow H. Caste, assisted by Lieut. Charles Cullen and Red Cross nurses. The bride was formerly Miss Jessie Patterson, twenty years old, of Inverness, Scotland, where her father is a well-to-do business man. John Kemm went to Inverness with Base Hospital No. 15, U. S. N., and Cupid went with him. The boy was named Louis Scott Kemm, and as soon as his arrival was announced a fund of several hundred dollars was subscribed by the globe and doughnuts and others on the ship, and enough souvenirs were had at his feet to load up a couple of furniture vans.

The youngest bride on the cruiser was Mrs. John Latham, wife of a private of Little Rock, Ark. She is a French girl, not yet seventeen and thoroughly French in daintiness and beauty. Her father's home is in Remiremont, where he is in the insurance business. Latham was hospitalized at the house, and then met the blushing little girl. The girl and her father learned that he was in a hospital they had him transferred to their home. A wedding was the result and Private John is now at Brest, awaiting a ship to bring him home.

O'LEARY JURY STILL SPLIT FOLLOWING NIGHT AT HOTEL

Deliberates Return to Court, but Say They Have No Word for Judge.

The jury in the case of Jeremiah A. O'Leary, Adolph Stern, the American Truth Society and the "Bull" Magazine, for violation of the Espionage Act, returned to the Federal building shortly before 10 o'clock this morning.

They had spent the night at the Hotel McAlpin after deliberating from 11:32 A. M. yesterday without arriving at a verdict. When they arrived at the U. S. District Court it was said they had no message for Judge A. N. Hand, before whom the trial was held.

BRITISH NON-RIGID AIRSHIP ENCIRCLES THE NORTH SEA

1,285 Miles Covered in Forty and a Half Hours in Unfavorable Weather.

LONDON, March 22 (via Montreal).—The first account is officially published of a recent remarkable long distance flight over the North Sea by a British non-rigid airship, the US-11. The voyage took the form of a circuit, embracing the coast of Denmark, Schleswig-Holstein, Heligoland, North Germany and Holland. The trip was characterized by unfavorable weather and therefore is regarded as ranking as perhaps the most notable flight of the kind ever undertaken.

The total length of the round trip was 1,285 miles, and the time, about forty and a half hours.

SOLDIERS' BONDS AT STAKE.

Means Discussed for Transferring Installment Accounts.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Means of transferring Liberty Bond installment payment accounts of discharged soldiers to banks where the subscribers can continue payments in civil life, are under discussion between the War Department and the treasury.

The action is prompted by the forced cancellation of millions of dollars of subscriptions made by soldiers, who on discharge find it impossible to pay the entire balance on their accounts at once. Soldiers subscribed \$30,000,000 to the fourth loan.

JOBS FOR 35,000 MEN.

Pennsylvania Will Rebuild 600 Miles of Roads This Year.

HARRISBURG, Pa., March 22.—Approximately 35,000 men will be employed this year on road building in Pennsylvania. According to plans of the State Highway Department, 600 miles of road will be built. It is estimated that within two months contractors will have to go into the labor market and employ at least 10,000 men in addition to the regular forces the large construction organizations carry all the time.

Navy Will Conduct U. S. Rifle Matches.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Acting Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt announced to-day that at the invitation of the War Department the national rifle matches for 1919 would be conducted by the navy. The exact date has not been fixed, but it was said the match here will be held in August.

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MINORITY OPINION IN THE SCHOOLS

DR. HENRY NEUMANN, Leader Brooklyn Educational Culture Society DR. HENRY R. LINVILLE, Pres. Teachers' Union, at the Public Forum CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION Fifth Avenue and Tenth Street Sunday, March 23rd, at 8 P. M. The Public Is Invited.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

WASHINGTON HEIGHTS METHODIST CHURCH, 15th St. and 4th Ave. Rev. James H. Hesketh, R. D. James H. H. and F. M.

LOST, FOUND AND REWARDS.

Lost—Mittie Katz, reward returned to Mrs. Hovav, 62-19 E. 23rd Street, Telephone 4508. Cat will come if offered cracker.