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LODGE FORCED TO SPEED WORK ON PEACE PACT

Hitchcock Threatens to Take Treaty From Hands of the Senate Committee.

HAS A ROW WITH FALL.

Nebraska Senator Asserts That All Amendments Accepted by Committee Will Be Defeated.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—A threat by Senator Hitchcock, Administration leader, that the Peace Treaty will be taken out of the Foreign Relations Committee's hands and ratified unless the committee soon reports it, to-day caused the committee to decide to push the treaty with all possible speed.

Hitchcock's warning was delivered to-day at a meeting of the committee and caused a stormy session. Following the meeting it was announced that the committee will begin considering proposed amendments to-morrow.

Hitchcock first demanded information from the Republican majority on the committee as to when the Treaty is likely to be reported.

"I told them," said Hitchcock, "that there is a great demand in the Senate and the country for action, and asked when it might be expected. I said that unless some effort was made to expedite matters in the committee, an effort would be made to bring about action on the Senate floor. Senator Lodge, the Chairman, said he was in favor of expediting as much as possible, and did not believe there had been any artificial delay so far. I told the committee that they could put on as many amendments as they saw fit in committee, and we would promptly beat them in the Senate."

Hitchcock and Senator Fall had a bitter debate, bordering at times on the personal. Fall, commenting on it, said he objected to Hitchcock's manner.

"I told him," said Fall, "that not only the actions but the motives of some of us have been questioned by advocates of the Treaty and the League and that I do not propose longer to restrain myself in the face of such attacks. I think, as do other committee members, that before acting on this treaty we should have before us the whole series of treaties, some of which are not completed, but all of which are linked with the German treaty. I am not in favor of delay, but neither is there any reason for unconsiderate haste."

Senator Moses declared after the meeting that if Democrats try to get action by the Senate before the committee has reported "the treaty will be rejected out of hand."

The committee discussed the question of asking Col. House to come from Paris to testify, but it was the general opinion, members said, that because of the long trip, and the probability that House would not add much to the information already obtained, that he should not be called.

When the committee to-morrow takes up amendments, it will have before it more than a hundred proposed changes.

Theatre Moguls Race To Boston to Head Off Strike of Actors There

Rialto Hears "Strikebreakers" Are on Way to "Hub" With Managers.

BIGGEST PARADE TO-DAY

Actor Soldiers From Overseas Play Big Part in Appeal to New York.

The spread of the actors' strike to Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago has aroused the New York managers to a sense of their danger and spurred them to heroic efforts. A delegation from the U. M. P. A. left this morning for Boston to prevent, if possible, the threatened eclipse of show houses at the Hub. It was reported on the Rialto that "strikebreakers" went with the party.

Money is raining in on the Actors' Equity Association and is being scattered like mist, while from the managers' end it is running out like water. President Francis Wilson put one over on the managers in his quiet departure to Chicago and was on the ground before the managers were aware that he was on a train.

Another automobile parade was held to-day by the actors. Soldier actors from overseas, women of the stage and screen who cheered and nursed the doughboys abroad, and mummies of the old and new day were prominent in the parade. It was the biggest turnout yet of the striking thespians and was cheered to the echo along Fifth Avenue.

CHORUS FORMING UNION WITH EQUITY BACKING. The boys and girls of the chorus sent their representatives to the office of Paul Turner in the Longacre Building to-day to shape up the bunch for its union. The delegates came from all the burlesque and musical comedy companies in the city, and before night, it is expected, application will be made for a charter from the American Federation of Labor.

The Actors' Equity Association declared themselves behind the chorus people to the finish. They declared that if their own grievances were settled they would not go back until the chorus was put firmly on its feet. And this includes shoes and stockings (at least half rates), after rehearsing four weeks for nothing.

When Ethel Barrymore went to the Manhattan Opera House to address the chorus girls yesterday afternoon Daniel Frohman, her manager, went with her. When he was assisting her into a taxicab after her speech a boy picked his pocket. Ed Wynn grabbed the boy and another member of the Equity grabbed the pocketbook and returned it to Mr. Frohman. He returned it to his pocket with thanks.

What madness there were to-day were attended by men and women pickets, emblazoned with banners full of their troubles. They marched up and down in front of the theatres, asking intending patrons to refrain from attending, and their efforts did not go unrewarded.

The merchants on West 45th Street, on the block where strike headquarters are located, pledged themselves to turn into the Equity 10 per cent of their weekly receipts as long as the strike lasts.

Honrietta Crossman, Jim Corbett and Effie Shannon to-day added their names to the roll of the Equity.

TOLD NOT TO WORRY ABOUT MANAGERS' SUIT. A wire was received by the Equity this morning from Lillian Russell, who is at Atlantic City. She said

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GREY ACCEPTS AMBASSADORSHIP TO UNITED STATES



NOTED BRITISH DIPLOMAT AND ADVOCATE OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS FINALLY CONSENTS TO COME.

LONDON, Aug. 12.—Viscount Grey, former British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has agreed to represent the British Government at Washington pending the appointment of a permanent ambassador.

Lord Grey is consenting to go to Washington temporarily. Andrew Bonar Law, Government spokesman, said in the House of Commons to-day, in order to deal particularly with questions arising out of the peace settlement. Mr. Bonar Law added that a permanent ambassador to the United States would be appointed early next year.

Commander Kenworthy asked why Lord Grey was not appointed permanently. In reply, Mr. Bonar Law said the Government would be only too glad if Lord Grey would accept a permanent post, but every one who knew of the former Foreign Secretary's disabilities, would share in the satisfaction of his present action.

Viscount Grey of Fulford (Sir Edward Grey) comes to the United States to represent the British Government after a brilliant career as head of the British Foreign Office. For eleven years, momentous in the political affairs of Europe, he was Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs—from Dec. 11, 1905, to Dec. 11, 1916.

Viscount Grey has always supported the idea of a League of Nations. Last December he headed the delegation of the British League of Nations Union, which called on President Wilson in London.

The new British representative was born April 25, 1862, and succeeded to the baronetcy on the death of his grandfather in 1882, his father, Capt. George Henry Grey, having died previously. He was educated at Winchester and Balliol College, Oxford. Lord Grey was married in 1885 to Miss Dorothy Widrington. She died in 1906 without issue.

MORE STRENGTH. Father John's Medicine is all cure.—Adv.

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HUSBAND OF EIGHT SAYS HE JUST TOOK KING SOLOMON'S TIP

Wilson, Pleading Guilty of Bigamy, Explains Wives Were All Trustful and Economical.

MET MOST IN CHURCH.

Five-Foot-Four Wholesaler in Marriage Market Preferred Widows.

Five feet four in his darned old socks (neatly and lovingly darned by this or that wife as the case may be) stands Charles H. Wilson, a thin, kind-hearted, worried little man, accused of bigamy. Bigamy means having two wives, and Wilson says he has eight, but the law-books don't say anything about "octogamy" and so they made it "bi."

"Guilty," he said, when arraigned before Judge Wadhams to-day in general sessions.

"How many?" demanded the court. And when the little fellow straightened up and answered, "Eight," there was a murmur in the courtroom. He stood there sturdy as a willow plume and contemplated everybody with compassionate eyes.

Judge Wadhams' interest in the case appeared to be for a moment more scientific than legal. He wanted to know how such things could be.

"Well, I'm a Y. M. C. A. worker and a travelling salesman and a Bible student and I used to be a physical instructor," said Wilson.

"Go on," said the court. "In the Bible," Wilson continued, "I studied especially the lives of Solomon and David and Jacob, and they all had many wives."

Judge Wadhams rubbed his eyes vigorously, looked carefully at Wilson, examined him from shoes to bald spot, and inquired:

"About those women you married—were they—well, what sort of women were they, anyway?"

"They were trustful, Christian, economical women," said Wilson with dignity.

"But what did they marry you for?" insisted the court.

"They came to me in distress," said Wilson, "and I was merciful to them."

"Could you make that a little clearer?" as Judge Wadhams.

"Well, two of them were in trouble," said Wilson, "so I helped them."

"Turning to economics, the H. C. of L. & C. Judge Wadhams asked how it was possible to support so many."

"I am a traveling salesman, as I said before," was the answer. "At times I make \$50 or \$60 a day. Besides, four of my wives were widows and had money when I married them. Also I didn't support all of them all the time. They were distributed over a period of nineteen years. I met them here and there in my travels, most of them in church. And I loved them all."

Judge Wadhams gave it up and said he would impose the sentence Friday.

Going Up! It will cost 50 cents for a haircut and 25 cents for a shave in Newark beginning Monday. A shave and haircut had together will cost sixty cents. The present prices are thirty-five cents for a haircut and fifteen cents for a shave.

MILLIONS OF EGGS CONFISCATED; POLICE HERE HUNT PROFITEERS

HUGE FOOD STOCKS SEIZED IN STORAGE IN THE SOUTH BY FEDERAL PROSECUTORS

Uncle Sam Takes Over Millions of Dozens of Eggs Held in Chattanooga and Jacksonville—Prices Drop in Chicago and Will Go Lower Here.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Aug. 12. EIGHTY-FOUR thousand dozen eggs, stored with the Atlantic Ice and Coal Corporation here for the account of Morris & Co., Chicago, were seized to-day by the United States District Attorney.

Seizure was made under libel proceedings in the Federal Court, which charged that the eggs were unlawfully stored for the purpose of unreasonably increasing prices.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Aug. 12.—More than a million eggs, hundreds of thousands of tins of canned foods and 27,500 pounds of sugar were seized here to-day in a raid on wholesale food warehouses and Market experts assert that egg storage warehouses both in Chi-

ago and here are about filled and receipts of eggs continue heavy. Not only must the newly received eggs be sold, but in many instances the stocks in storage must be reduced, if the proposed Federal measures are carried out.

Reports received in New York to-day showed that the eggs known to the market as "Western firsts" dropped from 41 to 42 cents a dozen in Chicago, three cents lower than yesterday's prices. Eggs of this grade were selling in New York to-day at 47 cents and a reflection of the lowering in Chicago prices is to be expected in this city to-morrow, according to P. Q. Foy, The Evening World's food expert. These eggs were selling in New York as high as 60 cents a dozen.

cold storage plants by Federal officers.

status of the International Radio Telegraphic Company distinctly heard the greetings of the aviators.

FIRST PROFITEER FINED \$500 FOR 15-CENT SUGAR

Retail Grocer Convicted at Binghamton, N. Y., Attorney General Is Informed.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—The first Federal conviction for profiteering was reported to-day to the Department of Justice.

United States Attorney Lucey telegraphed Attorney General Palmer from Binghamton, N. Y., that a retail grocer had been fined \$500 in the Federal Court for selling sugar at 15 cents a pound.

FLYING PATHFINDERS OFF ON CROSS-COUNTRY FLIGHT

Expedition to Chart Aeroplane Stations Left Mineola at 2.50 This Afternoon.

The All-American Pathfinding expedition of aeroplanes to map and photograph aeroplane stations from Atlantic to Pacific and to recruit a new and country-wide personnel for the Air Service of the Army was started officially at 2.50 o'clock this afternoon.

Lieut. James E. Adams and Lieut. Clayton Shingraw left Hazelhurst field at that hour. At 3.18 o'clock their plane was over Times Square and the invited guests of the Aero Club of America and the members of the Army and Navy air service gathered about the megaphone of the wireless telephone appa-

Mayor Hylan, Adopting Evening World Suggestion, Strikes at the Heart of All Retail Price Gougers—War on High Cost of Edibles Begins.

Mayor Hylan, following a suggestion advanced by The Evening World, struck at the heart of retail profiteering in food, wearing apparel and necessities of life in general to-day when he directed a police campaign against extortioners. Until conditions improve the Police Department will have supervision over the retail business of New York City.

Experience has shown that the only way to deter retailers from robbing the public is to begin to put retailers in jail. The retailers are not particularly afraid of ponderous and slow-moving investigations or surveys by committees or even district attorneys, but they are afraid of policemen.

Mayor Hylan has turned the police loose on the retailers of all kinds. The Evening World put the proposition up to him this morning, showing the excellent results achieved by a similar police action instituted by this newspaper a few years ago. The Mayor saw the virtues of the idea in about two minutes, and wrote and sent this letter to Commissioner of Police Knigh:

"I believe one of the quickest ways of obtaining evidence against retail profiteers is to have an investigation made in each police precinct.

"With this end in view, I would suggest that you have the captains in each precinct direct all police under them to thoroughly investigate and report all cases of alleged profiteering among retailers, no matter what the nature of their business may be, and forward to you a report which can be presented to the District Attorney, so that he can begin a criminal prosecution against any one who has violated the penal laws."

Immediately upon receipt of the Mayor's suggestion Commissioner Enright issued the necessary orders which were forwarded to every police precinct in the city. The machinery of the Police Department began to function and speedy results are expected.

The Evening World suggested, as a detail of the plan, that special plain clothes men be assigned in each precinct to investigate, independently of patrolmen, as a means of checking up evidence. This proved to be most effectual during the administration of Police Commissioner Woods, when The Evening World got after profiteers in butter and eggs and prices fell all over the city before the policemen were well into their job.

QUICK ACTION BY REPORTING TO POLICE. Citizens who have been cheated or are being cheated by retailers may get quick action by reporting the circumstances to the policeman on the beat and asking him to make an investigation. The necessity for a trip to the Criminal Courts Building for a conference with an Assistant District Attorney or a Grand Jury is eliminated.

In taking the action suggested by The Evening World Mayor Hylan had no idea of interfering with the work of any other branch of public service engaged in the work of relieving the people from the burden of excessive prices. The police investigation will fit in with all other activities and, at the same time, have its own effect.

Washington, Albany and every county and city in the state are co-operating in the drive on the food profiteers. Orders were placed to-day for the city's proportion of army surplus supplies to be placed on sale here.

A new feature of this branch of the campaign is the announcement that employers of more than 100 persons will be allotted carload lots of supplies by the city for sale to the employees.

Gov. Smith arrived from Albany to-day to meet with the Commissioners appointed by him to investigate the means of reducing the high cost of living. The Governor said that former Gov. Glynn and John H. Finley had been empowered under the provisions of the Moreland Act for State investigations and that the one result he required from them after they opened their hearing late to-day was "action." Gov. Smith said he was sure that when ex-Gov. Glynn and Mr. Finley settled down to business it would be demonstrated that the matter was being tackled without gloves.

HAS THE POWER TO SUBPOENA ANY PROFITEER. "Before the commission organizes," said former Governor Glynn, "is hardly a time to boast of what it is going to do. But I am familiar with the terms of the Moreland act and I believe that it gives us power to subpoena any profiteer.

"I am sure that Mr. Finley will feel as I do, that our first duty is to get into touch with the Federal and city agencies which are working to the same end and save all the waste in-

ARMY FOOD PRICES SLASHED; 13 ARTICLES ARE REDUCED TO OFFSET RETAILERS' CUTS

War Department Announces Also That Further Reductions May Be Made—To-Day's Order Affects Canned Goods Chiefly.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12. REDUCED prices on thirteen of the food products on sale by the army were announced to-day by the War Department. Reductions were caused by retailers who tried to meet the army prices. Further reductions will be made if food prices again decrease. New quotations are basic prices for the products specified. To these prices must be added cost of transportation either by rail to city or by parcel post to consumers. Today's reductions are:

Table with 3 columns: Item, Former cost, Present cost. Includes items like Corned beef, Baked beans, Baked corn, etc.