

## CANADA PICKED FOR PARLEY ON JAPANESE PACT

Lloyd George to Cross Atlantic for Conference With Premiers.

Views of Provinces to Be Considered in Reviewing Treaty.

(By Frederic William Wile.)  
I am glad to make the important announcement that the various premiers of the British Empire are shortly to meet on North American soil to discuss the matter of renewing the Anglo-Japanese treaty of alliance. Lloyd George, Prime Minister of Great Britain and Ireland, will cross the Atlantic for the purpose, if political conditions permit, accompanied by Earl Curzon, the British Foreign Minister, and other members of the Government.

The conference, which will be unique in the annals of the British Empire, will be held in Western Canada, probably at Vancouver or Victoria, British Columbia. Both the United States and Japanese governments have been informally notified of the meeting.

May Visit Washington.  
If Lloyd George is able to attend it, he will be invited to visit this country as the guest of the nation, and be correspondingly welcomed at Washington. The date of the conference has not yet been fixed, but it will be held before the end of 1920, October is suggested as a probable date.

The following British premiers will participate in the conference, which will be the first occasion that such an imperial council has ever been held anywhere except in the capital of the empire:

- David Lloyd George, Premier of the United Kingdom.
- Sir Arthur Meighen, Premier of Canada.
- William M. Hughes, Premier of Australia.
- R. A. Squires, Premier of Newfoundland.
- W. F. Massey, Premier of New Zealand.
- General John C. Smuts, Premier of South Africa.

Province Views Invited.  
It is expected that other British premiers, of lesser rank than the "Big Six"—namely, the prime ministers of individual Canadian "provinces" like British Columbia and Manitoba and Australian "States" like New South Wales and Queensland—will also attend. Some of them are of high rank in imperial affairs and speak for those particular portions of British dominions which have the keenest interest in the Japanese question. The people of British Columbia and Australia, for example, are perhaps more interested in their anti-Japanese feeling than the inhabitants of California.

The Anglo-Japanese treaty of alliance has been extended automatically for one year. The conference of British premiers will deal with the special interests of various members of the Empire, which have long been insisting upon a more direct voice in the framing of British policy toward Japan than they were vouchsafed when the original treaty was made in 1905 and renewed in 1911.

Notes Suppressed.  
No decision has as yet been arrived at with regard to publishing the recent American-Japanese diplomatic correspondence over Japanese aggression in Siberia. Secretary Colby has explained that the correspondence would only be made public by "mutual agreement." An impression has got abroad in Washington that the fear of undesirably explosive discussion in both countries accounts for the suppression of the correspondence. It was announced at the State Department yesterday that the question of a reply to the Japanese note is now under consideration.

## MONK SLAIN IN CHURCH RIOT; 6 OTHERS DIE

Rome, Aug. 17.—Seven persons were killed in a riot at Siena, Italy, when socialists attacked a religious procession, according to a dispatch received here today. A monk was slain on the steps of the church.

## Detective Wounded In Revolver Battle



Headquarters sergeant detective, who was wounded in a revolver battle yesterday, capturing single-handed Thurman Brown, negro badman, hunted for three months.

With an empty gun Scrivener faced the negro and escaped death when a bullet pierced his watch, deflecting through the side. Scrivener was also wounded in the arm.

## TRADE BARRIER WITH FOE ENDS

Harriman-Hamburg-American Agreement Held to Virtually Mean Peace.

(By Universal Service.)  
By giving sanction to the agreement by the Harriman interests to take over a 39 per cent interest in all trade routes operated by the Hamburg-American line, the United States has virtually recognized a state of peace between the United States and Germany.

This became known yesterday when officials of the State Department "sat in" at all the conferences between the American and German interests. Moreover, the State Department was provided with a full copy of the agreement after its completion by the Harriman and Hamburg-American companies. No objection was recorded by the government.

## FOOD PRICES TUMBLE IN WILMINGTON, DEL.

Wilmington, Del., Aug. 17.—The retail price of sugar dropped to 18 cents a pound yesterday, with indications of a still greater drop. Canned goods were lower by two and a half cents a can, coffee dropped 11 per cent and the bottom fell out of the fruit and vegetable market, bringing the retail prices lower than they have been this season.

Thousands of crates of cantaloupes and as many baskets of tomatoes are rotting on Delaware farms, the farmers feeding them to hogs in preference to selling them at prices offered.

## Fruit and Vegetable Prices Tumble In Local Markets; 'Overstocked' Say Dealers as Housewives Lay in Supply

Peaches! Not the Mack Sennett variety. The edible kind that melt in your mouth. You can get a whole half bushel for four bits on Center Market.

Produce prices are vamping right down to the ground and Washington housewives will have a chance to harvest the windfall. The metaphor may be mixed, but prices and vegetables are scrambling.

"We're selling cabbage at a dollar a barrel," said a dealer yesterday. "The market is overstocked and things are duller than they have been for months. Cantaloupes are selling as low as a dollar a crate

## AMERICA FAST RUNNING AWAY WITH OLYMPICS

Has More Than Double Number of Points of Finland, Who Is Second.

NEW WORLD RECORD  
Dick Landon of N. Y. A. C. Hangs Up 1.94 Meter Mark in High Jump.

(Olympic Champion and Universal Service Staff Correspondent.)  
Antwerp, Aug. 17.—America, her point score more than double that of her nearest competitor and with another world's record tucked under her belt, is "sitting pretty" tonight at the Olympic games.

By her wins today and the placing of other sons where points that count resulted, America ran her total score up to 69½ in today's events. Finland is second with 24. The other contestants already are almost out of the running.

England has only 19 points. Sweden 12½ and France 11.  
New High Jump Record.  
Today's record fell when Dick Landon of the New York A. C. took the finals in the high jump with the bar at 1.94 metres.

Landon proved a great competitor in defeating the field of twelve starters in the event. His record, which is 6 feet 4.50 inches boosted the bar 61 metres above the record established by Richards, also an American, at Stockholm in 1912.

At the six foot mark half the contestants failed, but four of the six remaining were Americans.

Whalen went out on his third trial and the bar was moved up again. This time it went to the new record mark, which Landon

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## YOUTH DROWNS, TIRED BY SWIM

Charles Rossett, 19, Goes Under Near Virginia Shore.

Charles Rossett, 19 years old, Third street and Indiana avenue northwest, became exhausted while swimming in the Potomac River near the Three Sisters just off the Virginia shore yesterday afternoon and drowned before help could reach him.

Half an hour later Harley Conn, a canoeist recovered the body. Conn called Dr. John N. Little, jr., who worked in vain to resuscitate the boy. The body was taken to the morgue in the harbor boat. Coroner Nevitt will hold an inquest today.

## RUMANIAN QUEEN'S VISIT TO U. S. REPORTED POSTPONED BY WAR



QUEEN MARIE OF RUMANIA.  
Paris, Aug. 17.—It is reported that the tense European situation, resulting from the Bolsheviks' drive into Poland, will cause postponement of the Queen of Rumania's trip to the United States. This is the latest photograph of Queen Marie.

## Womans' Party Urges Gov. Cox To Visit Nashville and Help Cause Lost in North Carolina

In a supreme effort to swing wavering Tennessee in line for suffrage, the Woman's party forces are urging Candidate Cox to visit Nashville and bring his personal influence to bear on the recalcitrant Tennessee senators who have given the feminine cause a temporary setback.

"Defeat in North Carolina," said Miss Alice Paul, leader of the Woman's party, "makes success in Tennessee more imperative. The Democratic party must exert itself to live up to its favorable action when the Tennessee legislature meets tomorrow."

## TAR HEEL ANTIS' VICTORY IS DUE TO GENERALSHIP

(By Universal Service.)  
Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 17.—Hope of ratification of the Federal suffrage amendment by the special session of the North Carolina legislature was killed late this afternoon when the Senate by a vote of 25 to 23 adopted the antisuffrage substitute for the ratification resolution and postponed action until the regular session next January.

The only way the matter was again come before the Senate is a two-thirds vote to reconsider, and the possibility of getting number is practically beyond hope.

Vote Is Surprised.  
The substitute motion came this afternoon after five hours' debate on the ratification resolution. The victory for the antis came as a surprise for the suffrage advocates who never doubted but that the Senate would pass the resolution, and it is the result of the superior generalship and parliamentary strategy on Lindsay Warren, anti-leader.

Probably in no other form than through a substitute resolution could suffrage have been defeated in the upper-house. The substitute provides that since present legislators were not elected when suffrage was an issue and the voters had no opportunity to express their opinion on the question, it is the part of wisdom to wait until the regular session in January for final action.

Suffragists Caught Napping.  
Following a dozen speeches, Warren announced that he would ask that the debate be closed and the motion put. He also announced he would offer a substitute resolution. Not knowing the nature of this resolution, suffrage advocates agreed to the program thinking they had a bare majority on the question any way.

His Highness arose and went to the young man's bench.  
"I beg your pardon for addressing you," he said, "but I perceive that you are disturbed in mind. If it may serve to mitigate the ill-humors I have taken I will add that I am Prince Michael, heir to the throne of the Electorate of Vallicuna. I appear incognito, of course, as you may gather from my appearance. It is a fancy of mine to render aid to others whom I think worthy of it. Perhaps the matter that seems to distress you is one that would more readily yield to our mutual efforts."

The young man looked up brightly at the Prince. Brightly, but the perpendicular line of perplexity between his brows was not smoothed away. He laughed, and even then it did not. But he accepted the momentary diversion.

## AID TO POLAND WHITE HOUSE TOPIC TODAY

Polish Delegation Will Receive Assurances of U. S. Action.

CREDIT TO BE TAKEN UP  
Armed Help Without Sanction of Congress, Held Out of Question.

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Confidential exchanges of views are now in progress between the allied and associated powers for the purpose of ascertaining how and when Poland can be helped. The United States is an active participant in the discussion.

Such will be the burden of the assurance to be given by President Wilson and Secretary Colby to the imposing delegation of Polish citizens of the United States who are calling at the White House and State Department today. But it will be made plain to them that without the implicit sanction of Congress, American armed assistance is out of the question.

There are other forms of aid which America can render. Credits for military supplies are among them. These could be made fluid by executive order. It is to such "available means" that the Colby note to the powers last week had reference.

The mystery of the non-publication of the French reply to our note on Russia, Bolshevikism and Poland has not yet been cleared up. The latest official explanation is that between the version of M. Millerand's communication, as cabled to the State Department by the American Embassy in Paris, and the text submitted by the French Charge d'Affaires in Washington.

Feller Reply Sought.  
The real reason for delay in acquainting the American public with the French note was disclosed in these columns yesterday when it was reported that the State Department is not entirely satisfied with the French representations and hinted that certain moves were in progress to facilitate a more complete response to the Colby note.

The State Department is evidently proceeding on the theory that although France's past record with regard to the partitioning of Russia may not be entirely spotless, she may find it consistent to commit herself in some degree at least to the policy of keeping Russia intact in the future.

## POLICE COURT SAFE ROBBED OF \$25,000

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 17.—Expert cracksmen robbed the safe in Police Judge Chesbro's court in the central police station here of more than \$25,000 during the night. It became known today.

## 12 Million War Orphans Reported by Red Cross

Paris, Aug. 17.—Twelve million little children of Europe today are classed as war orphans, according to statistics issued by the American Red Cross.

The figures for the principal nations were: Slovakia, 1,000,000; France, 2,000,000; Russia, 4,000,000; Jugoslavians, 600,000; and Italy, Poland and Great Britain, 300,000 each.

## Broadway Footlight Artists Find Joy In Delicatessen Store with Bouncer; Gossip on Politics and Slump in Stocks

New York, Aug. 17.—On Broadway, north of 24th-street, there is an all night delicatessen store with a penciled backroom that between 1 and 2 a. m. fills with the rarest collection of humans. To preserve order and decorum a "bouncer," six feet three, with curly hair, is kept on the premises.

It is the center of late hour theatrical life, girls from the various shows rolling up in their cars for a nightcap sandwich that cost 90 cents. Here one hears all sides of "inside stuff." Listen. "You know Sam Shipman lost \$50,000 in Wall Street. That is how he came to write 'Crooked Gamblers.' Looks like he will get it back in royalties."

## POLAND SCORNS RUSSIAN PEACE; LINES STIFFEN

Warsaw Backed by Paris as Armies Halt Red Invaders—Labor Holds Up Munitions For Front—Germans Threaten to Form Defense Army.

(Bulletin.)  
Warsaw, Aug. 17.—Four Red divisions were surrounded and captured at Garwolin, says a special bulletin just issued. Garwolin is a city about forty miles southeast of Warsaw.

Paris, Aug. 17.—Poland and France have decided not to accept the Russian peace terms for Poland as outlined by Premier David Lloyd George, the Foreign Office is reported to have informed Lord Derby, the British Ambassador today.

At the same time Lord Derby was informed that France is positive in her position of viewing Poland and Gen. Wrangel as presenting identical problems to the allies.

Thus a full deadlock between France and Great Britain is reached.

## NO RECOGNITION GIVEN MEXICO

Claims in Dispatch from De La Huerta's Capital Denied Here.

(Public Ledger Service.)  
State Department officials yesterday denied specifically that the government had offered to recognize the De la Huerta government as the provisional government of Mexico under any terms, much less those reported in dispatches from Mexico City.

Informal conversations have been going on between Norman H. Davis, undersecretary of state, and Don Fernandez Iglesias Calderon, Mexican commissioner to the United States, but the discussions have not yet reached the point where conditions for recognition have been set.

The latest recruits to the men who are investigating conditions in Mexico for the government, it has been learned, are delegates named by the American Federation of Labor. The two delegates, whose names are withheld by labor officials, are to enter Mexico within a short time and investigate thoroughly the status of workers in the southern republic. It is believed the report the labor men make will be submitted to the government, with the possibility of official support for its conclusions as a part of the basis of recognition.

## FAIR DEAL URGED FOR ALL PRODUCERS

Edwin T. Meredith, Secretary of Agriculture, expressed hope yesterday that any break in food prices would not be at the expense of the farmer.

While he declined to comment on the charge that Chicago wheat speculators are manipulating the market to "rob the farmer of profit on the 1920 wheat," he intimated that his department would fight for fair play for the producer. He is just as much concerned, he said, about the producers of hogs, cotton and the like.

Soviet prisoners related they had been forced to advance under threat of being fired on with machine guns from their own rear. Most of the prisoners were in rags. Some declared that they had been without shoes since leaving Beresina (about 600 miles east of Warsaw).

All of the Reds so far taken on the northwest of Warsaw, the Commandant said, their point of greatest advance and were then twelve miles in retreat with their retreating transport trucks and wagons.

INVESTIGATE THIS  
"The best bargains in real estate today," said a well known real estate man yesterday, "are well constructed buildings erected ten or a dozen years ago. Construction cost has doubled in the last fifteen years."

There is advertised today on the classified page a three-story brick building erected ten years ago in the colored section. It is an excellent location for a colored physician or dentist. It has just been listed for sale but will undoubtedly be snapped up quickly by a really bargain-seeker as the price quoted is about one-half of the original cost of construction. Read details on classified page.

By O. HENRY  
I know human nature as I do the trees and grass," said the Prince, with earnest dignity. "I am a master of philosophy, a graduate of art, and I hold the purse of a Fortunatus. There are few mortal misfortunes that I cannot alleviate or overcome. I have read your countenance, and found in it honesty and nobility as well as distress. I beg of you to accept my advice or aid. Do not belie the intelligence I see in your face by judging from my appearance of my ability to defeat your troubles."

# THE CALIPH, CUPID AND THE CLOCK

PRINCE MICHAEL, of the Electorate of Vallicuna, sat on his favorite bench in the park. The coyness of the September night quickened the life in him like a rare, tonic wine. The benches were not fitted; for park loungers, with their stagnant blood, are prompt to detect and fly home from the crispness of early autumn. The moon was just clearing the roofs of the range of dwellings that bounded the quadrangle on the east. Children laughed and played about the fine-sprayed fountain. In the shadowed spots (aun and hamadryads) wood, unconscious of the gaze of mortal eyes. A hand or-

gan—Phlomet by the grace of our stage carpenter, Fancy—futed and drowned in a side street. Around the enchanted boundaries of the little park street cars spat and mewed and stilted trains roared like tigers and lions prowling for a place to enter. And above the trees shone the great, round, shining face of an illuminated clock in the tower of an antique public building.

Prince Michael's shoes were wrecked far beyond the skill of the carefulest cobbler. The rag-man would have declined any negotiations concerning his clothes. The two weeks' stubble on his face was gray and brown and

red and greenish yellow—as if it had been made up from individual contributions from the chorus of a musical comedy. No man existed who had money enough to wear so bad a hat as his.

By and by came a young man in evening clothes and sat upon the third bench from the Prince. For half an hour he smoked cigars with nervous haste, and then he fell to watching the face of the illuminated clock above the trees. His perturbation was evident, and the Prince noted, in sorrow, that its cause was connected, in some manner, with the slowly moving hands of the timespiece.

"Remain," said Prince Michael.

"I don't usually," said the young man. "I carry a watch except when I've got my radiant rage on."

When his gaze strayed from the glowing horologe of time it rested intently upon a four-story red brick house in the row of dwellings opposite to where he sat. The shades were drawn, and the lights in many rooms shone dimly through them.