

# SCHURMAN URGES BROADER POWERS FOR U.S. DIPLOMATS

## Senator Sterling Sees Peace in Association Based on International Court.

## TRIBUTES TO HARDING President-Elect's Attitude Toward Peace Problem Commended.

## HAMILTON HOLT SPEAKS National Republican Club Resumes Weekly Luncheon Programme.

Reasonable limitation of naval armament, a broadening of the powers of American diplomats abroad to enable them to participate in discussion affecting other powers and participation in an international court of justice were urged yesterday as part of the duty of the United States in maintaining the peace of the world at the first of the season's regular weekly luncheons at the National Republican Club, 54 West Fortieth street.

The speakers were Senator Thomas Sterling of South Dakota, Dr. Jacob Gould Schurman, former president of Cornell University; Dr. Hamilton Holt, editor of the Independent, and the Rev. Dr. William Pierson Merrill, pastor of the Brick Presbyterian Church.

Senator Sterling, while explaining that he was not venturing an authoritative prediction on what President-elect Harding's course with respect to the peace treaty would be, gave it as his own opinion that the Knox peace resolution vetoed by President Wilson would be submitted to the new Congress, that it would be passed and approved by President Harding. The immediate and much to be desired effect of this course, Senator Sterling said, would be the resumption of commercial and diplomatic relations with our late enemies in Europe. Generous applause followed the Senator's forecast of the new Congress's attitude toward the problem of world peace. Senator Sterling expressed his own regret that America to-day was not a member of the League of Nations with the reservations to the league covenant adopted by the Senate. "The Senate would have ratified the treaty with those reservations on November 13, 1919," he said, "had not word of the impending veto come from the other end of Pennsylvania avenue. That's why America to-day is not a member of the league."

Senator Sterling said he believes the ultimate solution of the problem of world peace lay in the formation of an association of nations along the lines upon which President-elect Harding is working, and added that it was his opinion that this association would function largely around an international court. The duty of the United States, he pointed out, would be to invoke the aid of

this court in international disputes and to urge and encourage sister nations to do the same.

**Tribute to Harding.**  
Mr. Schurman began his address by a warm tribute to Senator Harding. "What America is to do in maintaining the peace of the world," he said, "will be settled by a leader out of Ohio. He's a leader who has grown greatly in the public's confidence, largely because of his capacity for consultation and his modesty and courage."

"There are ideals of human nature that will be very potent factors in consideration of a peace programme, but there are also actualities that must be taken into consideration. We must remember the fact that the European war burst upon the world without American statesmen being given a chance to voice a protest. Our diplomacy takes no part in discussion of the affairs of other nations, even although those discussions may eventually in war in which the United States may become involved. I believe the time has come when our Ambassadors and other diplomatic agents abroad must take the same interest in the affairs of other nations that other diplomats take. In the future any mistake of diplomacy by foreign diplomats that may result in a war is certain to involve the United States, and for this reason our diplomatic service should be broadened."

Dr. Schurman, who was once American Minister to Greece and Montenegro, cited instances of international disputes that came under his observation where, he believed, actual hostilities could have been avoided had there been present an American diplomatic representative with authority to express what America's attitude toward the controversy would be.

**On Disarmament.**  
On the question of disarmament Dr. Schurman reminded his audience that it was a fundamental policy with the United States.

"But," he continued, "never before has America been in such a favorable position to urge international disarmament. We are told that we must have an adequate navy. Adequate against whom? Germany's navy is annihilated, Russia's is gone. Those of France and Italy cannot be regarded as a menace. That leaves only two other Powers, Great Britain and Japan."

"I share the sentiment expressed by Senator Sterling that war between Great Britain and the United States is inconceivable. I share the opinion expressed by Theodore Roosevelt that any dispute that should arise between Great Britain and the United States can be settled by pacific means and the rule of reason. That leaves Japan. I was in Japan eight months ago, and I want to say that Japan is intensely desirous of settling any outstanding disputes with the United States by peaceful means. There is absolutely no doubt about that."

"But there is another consideration with regard to Japan. Competition in naval armament between the United States and Japan would be expensive for us. But it would be absolutely ruinous for Japan, and the Japanese know it."

"I don't ask for naval disarmament that would leave us with an inadequate navy. But I ask from the point of view of actualities if we should spend millions just for the sake of having the largest navy when there is nothing to fear from other naval Powers, and those Powers themselves are anxious to join us in a programme of limitation of armaments. Now the time has come when we may decrease our naval armaments, and I believe it is the duty of the Government to do it."

**Dr. Holt, who was the representative of the League to Enforce Peace at the Versailles conference, outlined the accomplishments of the council, assembly, secretariat and labor bureau of the league in the one year of its existence.**

**PREPARE YACHT FOR HARDING.**  
CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 8.—Senator Frelinchusen's yacht, the Victoria, on which President-elect Harding and Mrs. Harding are expected to cruise in Florida, was in port to-day preparing for the trip. The Harding party probably will board the yacht at St. Augustine, and a full golfing equipment has been placed on the vessel for the use of the President-elect.

# HARDING INDORSES BIG NAVY POLICIES

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available for arranging such a conference. The civilian personnel of the Navy Department aggregating nearly 75,000 men, he indicated, would be ruthlessly reduced, and insisted that the programme for 156 ships provided in the act of 1916 should be entirely completed probably by 1924.

**Harding Sees Lumber Men.**  
Senator Harding received to-day a delegation representing the National Lumber Manufacturers Association. The delegation presented a plan to revive building operations.

Those who conferred with Senator Harding were Wilson Compton, manager of the National Lumber Manufacturers Association, Chicago; John W. Blodgett, Grand Rapids; J. H. Biodel, Seattle, Wash.; F. H. Farwell, Orange, Tex.; C. A. Bigelow, Bay City, Mich.; D. O. Anderson, Marion, S. C.; J. E. Rhodes, New Orleans, La., and W. I. Bennett, New York city.

"The recent convention of lumbermen in Chicago," said Mr. Compton, "under took to frame on behalf of our industry an answer to the recent demand of Senator Calder and his investigating committee for a million new houses in this country. We hope and believe this may be accomplished by the unified action of the various industries producing building materials, whereby prices

may be reduced to such levels that the community will recognize that deflation has definitely taken place and is ended. As to lumber this has already occurred. Wholesale prices of lumber are now about 50 per cent. of what they were at the peak of high prices nine months ago. They are so low that lumber is being produced at prices which do not contemplate its cost of production.

"There has not been a corresponding deflation of prices in some of the other industries that produce building material. It is our aim to secure, if possible, the cooperation of all building material producers in establishing a permanent and proper level of prices, so that persons wishing to build may go ahead, confident that after they have bought their materials there will not be further market."

"People do not want to buy on a falling market. We recognize that building cannot go forward until we have reached a level of lower costs in the stability and permanence of which the public will have confidence. The lumber industry has therefore called upon all industries supplying building materials and all persons engaged in building to join in a determined effort to reach promptly a normal level of building costs."

**Conference Called.**  
"Our organization has called a conference of these industries for January 21 and 22 at Chicago to consider this programme. The industries include cement, clay products, hardware and everything else involved in building operations. We will not at this conference include representatives of labor, though recognizing that if building is to be resumed on a large scale it will be necessary for labor also to accept lower compensation. In the lumber industry, indeed, labor has already taken this step. The Pacific coast organizations of lum-

ber workers have voluntarily accepted a reduction of 25 per cent. in wages. "We are assured that capital can be made available to carry on the building operations that are so necessary. But home loans, which in this country are regarded as the very best, will not be made for the purpose of building homes while materials are commanding an abnormally high price. The margin of security would be too greatly impaired when prices finally fell to a normal and permanent level. Therefore, it is necessary to get building costs down to a level at which loans would be safe before building can be extensively resumed."

"We believe that if our effort succeeds and brings about a resumption of building operations it will represent a very long step toward the general readjustment of business conditions and resumption of general business activity. We have laid our plan before Senator Harding and asked his support for this effort of one of the nation's largest industries to restore public confidence and promote the revival of business and employment of those dependent upon the group of industries we represent."

Among Senator Harding's visitors to-day was Daniel G. Reid of New York, who said he discussed with Senator Harding the economic and financial condition of the country. Mr. Reid is a long time friend of a Cabinet aspirant, A. T. Hert of Kentucky, and it is assumed that in his two hours' talk with Senator Harding he made a plea for Mr. Hert's inclusion in the Cabinet.

**STUDENTS AS FRUIT JUDGES.**  
MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Jan. 8.—Picked fruit judging teams from Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio and New Jersey State universities will come to Morgantown January 20 to compete with a team from West Virginia University for championship honors.

# REPARATIONS PARLEY RENEWAL DELAYED

Date May Not Be Set Until Allied Premiers Meet.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—The date of resumption of the reparations conference in Brussels remains doubtful. The Germans proposed January 20 and then January 25, but now appear uncertain when they want to meet the allied representatives again. Neither of the above mentioned dates has been accepted and nothing has been decided officially by the Allies.

It is regarded here that the atmosphere created by the contention over disarmament would be unfavorable to such negotiations and the date of the resumption of the Brussels conference may not be fixed until after the fourth coming meeting of the allied Prime Ministers in Paris on January 19.

Decision regarding the methods to be employed in forcing Germany to disarm her civil guards is all that remains to be arranged between the British and French Governments, says the *Excelsior*.

# TO RADIO HARDING MESSAGE.

Army and Navy Men Everywhere Will Receive It.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Special wireless telephone apparatus will transmit President-elect Harding's inaugural address and to halls in various cities where "inaugural parties" will be held, it was announced to-day.

A committee on inaugural radio news has obtained the cooperation of the army and navy radio services to carry out the plans, it was stated.

In addition to the wireless service two huge megaphones will be placed in the reviewing stand in front of the White House and will be connected by special wires to be amplifying device at the Capitol, permitting crowds unable to be at the Capitol to hear the speech.

**ALLEN U. S. TREASURER.**  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Guy F. Allen of Somerset, Md., was nominated to-day by President Wilson to be Treasurer of the United States.

# DISAGREE ON DISARMING.

Herbert Adams Gibbons and James G. McDonald Differ.

Herbert Adams Gibbons, publicist and author, and James G. McDonald, chairman of the League of Free Nations Association, did not agree yesterday on the question of naval disarmament at an association luncheon at the Hotel Commodore. Mr. McDonald returned recently from a trip to Europe, in which, he said, he discussed international problems with leading diplomats and officials. He favored defeat of the League's naval building programme. Mr. Gibbons, on the other hand, declared that the initiative in reductions must come from Great Britain.

"The pledge of good faith must come from London, not Washington," Gibbons said. "Let England, in the renewal of her pact with Japan, stipulate that she will not participate in any offensive against this country. Then we can discuss disarmament."

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Howo Mayonnaise Dish	1.25	75c
9-inch Howo Berry Bowl	1.50	75c
Sedji Water Pitcher	1.50	75c
7-piece Howo Berry Set	2.50	\$1.25
Imari Handled Cake Plate	3.00	1.50
Canton Open Vegetable Dishes	3.00	1.50
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