



SENATOR KNOX SEES GRAVE DANGER FOR AMERICA IN LEAGUE

Former Secretary of State Points to Covenant as Sanctioning War; Fears Second World Coalition

POINTS TO FLAWS IN PROPOSED CREED FOR NATIONS; SEES PERIL

Washington, March 1.—Senator Knox, of Pennsylvania, former secretary of state, speaking to-day in the Senate, assailed the league of nations as striking down American constitutional principles and proposed a new world organization which, he said, would preserve the Monroe Doctrine and save America from the results of European intrigue and aggression.

Senator Knox, who attended the White House dinner conference last Wednesday with other members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said the constitution of the league as presented to the Peace Conference "sanctions, breeds and commands war," and after criticizing various clauses of the document, said:



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Questions Fevish Anxiety "Why this feverish anxiety for the adoption of this plan? Why this racing up and down the land by propagandists urging its adoption? What benefit is to come from such a sale of the country as is urged upon us? Who are the beneficiaries of this betrayal of our people?"

The Pennsylvania senator said that if the people of the United States desired what he termed a real League of Nations to prevent war and "not merely to build a coalition to further the peace and expand territorial possessions," it must be secured through the formation of an international organization comprising the nations of the world. Senator Knox said the constitution of such an international coalition should primarily declare war an international crime and stipulate that any nation engaging in it except in self-defense be punished by the world as an international criminal. He also suggested that the constitution provide that international disputes be decided by an international court, according to an international code determining war; that no nation could surrender another before the court; that no nation be subject under discussion of common concern to the contending nations and that jurisdiction of the court not to extend to matters of government policy and citizenship.

Under such a code, the senator declared, America would not, as in the present plan for a League of Nations were realized, be called upon to arbitrate in the event of a violation of the Monroe Doctrine, our conservation policy, our immigration policy, our right to expel aliens, our right to repel invasion and the right to maintain military and naval establishments; our right to make necessary fortifications of the Panama Canal or on our frontiers, and our right to discriminate between natives and foreigners in respect to rights of property and citizenship.

Suggests Limited Jurisdiction Among other suggestions for the constitution, he said it should provide that the countries of the two continents be called upon to enforce decrees of the international court only in their respective hemispheres. "A league framed on these broad lines," he continued, "would carry with it a minimum loss of our sovereignty, would relieve us from participation in the broils of Europe; would preserve the Monroe Doctrine and would save America from the results of European intrigue and aggression."

In opening his address, Senator Knox, said he wished it understood he had not secured negative conclusions in regard to the constitution of the proposed league through friendliness or bias. He said he was against war even to the extent of being the United States make the utmost sacrifices possible, but that he wanted to feel sure that when the offering of the United States had been placed upon the altar and burned, his country should have measurably and proportionately advanced the cause of human liberty and happiness.

Points to Covenant Flaws Referring to the proposed constitution of the League of Nations, he criticized it for "looseness of speech" which he said characterized it throughout and then because it appeared to set up to operating entities for its enforcement, the "high contracting parties" and the league itself. In this connection he said the importance of this became apparent when it was observed that "the high contracting parties" did not comprise every member state in the league, and that, therefore, the "burden" of the high contracting parties, whoever they may be, possibly the "big five," is crushing in its weight.

Fears Second League The senator warned especially against leaving the central power of the league, saying the inevitable

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and colder to-night, with low-est temperature about 18 degrees Sunday fore-cast. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night and Sunday; colder to-night; fresh northwest winds.

The Susquehanna river and all its branches will rise slightly to-morrow, except the upper portions of the North and West branches and the Juniata, which will begin to fall to-night or Sunday. A stage of about 52 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Sunday morning.

Arousing Our Sympathies



PARTIAL REVIVAL OF BUILDING IS SEEN IN PERMITS

Several Big Operations Under Way Despite High Cost of Materials

Harrisburg's building record for February is an encouraging one, according to officials and contractors, and is an indication that the city is losing no time now in starting construction projects which had to be delayed because of the conditions brought about by the war.

While the total cost of the work to be done is far below the figure for last February this is due to the issuing of a permit at that time for the construction of the big addition to the Camp Curtin school building.

Deducting that permit from the total amount of work started last February, the balance represents only about one-fourth of the operations started this year during the last month.

In February, 1918, there were four permits issued for the construction of buildings costing \$151,900. Of this total \$170,000 for the school building improvement, leaving a balance of \$11,900 represented in three projects, one a garage costing \$3,000.

This year during February there were twenty-five permits issued and the operations when completed will cost \$44,530. Included in the operations now under way are several dwelling houses in Derry street, near the eastern city line; an addition to an ice plant in Berryhill street, costing \$3,000; a warehouse in South Eighteenth street, to cost \$5,000; shop and office building in South Seventeenth street, costing \$2,500; and alterations to a South Thirtieth street residence, to be made at a cost of \$3,000.

A building permit was issued yesterday to David J. Horwitz for the construction of a three-story building for a storehouse and apartments, on the south side of Cumberland street, sixty feet west of Twelfth street, at a cost of \$5,000.

PAXTANG ROAD NEXT TO BE PUT IN SHAPE Paxtang borough is next on the list for highway improvement after Camp Hill and Highspire. It is expected that the uncomfortable stretch of road between the city limits and Paxtang avenue will be placed in first class shape. It has been one of the worst pieces of road in this section and has called down more execrations than any other stretch excepting the road at Highspire.

LABOR BUREAU SECURES JOBS FOR VETERANS

More Than 400 Men Placed in Good Positions by State Employment Office

Positions for more than 400 men were secured this week by the Employment Bureau, Department of Labor and Industry in the remarkably successful campaign of the bureau to aid in alleviating the labor situation in Harrisburg.

Men, skilled in every line of human endeavor and of every degree of capability, have been placed in positions during the week, Director Lightner said in speaking of the work. Some employers have been under the impression that the bureau exists only to place laborers, but Mr. Lightner emphasizes the fact that men skilled in every branch of work, may be secured through the bureau.

Remarkably short time is necessary for the bureau to succeed in

Reduction of Thirty Cents a Ton, Effective 'at Once; No Change at Mines

A slight reduction in the price of anthracite coal was announced by local dealers this morning, effective at once. At the same time it was predicted that the customary reduction of fifty cents a ton, usually scheduled for April 1, will not take place this spring.

The open winter and lack of demand for coal made the reduction possible. The fact, also, that independent operators who under government fuel administration control were allowed to charge 75 cents a ton additional for their coal, over what the transportation company coal operators were allowed to charge, no longer have that advantage.

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GERMANS LOSE 1,600,001

France Third With 1,385,000; England Yields 706,700

1,301,950 OUT OF THE ARMY

Second Regulars Lead in Winning Distinguished Service Crosses

Washington, March 1.—Battle deaths during the war among all participants so far as available statistics show, were given to-day by General March as 7,354,000. This represents only men killed in action or died of wounds.

In the list prepared by the general staff, Russia led with a total of 1,700,000; Germany was second with 1,600,000, and the United States last with 50,000.

Approximate figures for other nations were: France, 1,385,000; Austria-Hungary, 800,000; England, 706,700; Italy, 480,000; Turkey, 400,000; Belgium, 102,000; Rumania, 100,000; Bulgaria, 100,000; Serbia and Montenegro, 100,000.

Demobilization of the army had reached to yesterday 1,301,950 officers and men, General March announced to-day. Of the total 77,542 were officers. Demobilization officers now have reached a total of 1,571,000.

Regulars Win War Crosses Of the total of 2,843 distinguished service crosses awarded for gallantry in action to American soldiers, General March announced to-day, 664, or more than double the number given to any other division, went to the Second regulars. The first division of regulars came next with three hundred crosses awarded to its members. The Third regulars with 233, was third.

The 26th (New England National Guard), the fourth in the list with 229 led all National Guard and National Army divisions. The 42d (Rainbow) came next with 205, and then the 20th with 177. The 27th division (New York National Guard) won the high score in returning home, received 139. The 77th (also a New York division), received 126.

Rev. E. P. Bryan Found Dead in Bed After Short Illness With Influenza

Millsboro, Pa., March 1.—The Rev. E. P. Bryan, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, of this city, died in bed this morning. He was found dead in bed this morning. He was aged about 45 years.

The Rev. Mr. Bryan contracted a severe cold only two days, but his condition was not regarded as serious, and the announcement of his death this morning came as quite a shock to borough people. At first he appeared to be sleeping, but later when his bedside was visited, it was discovered that he was dead.

The Rev. Mr. Bryan came to Millsboro a year ago, having previously served the Oxford, Pa., Methodist church and also been a member of the Philadelphia conference of the church for fifteen years. He was a graduate of Wesleyan University and of the Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J.

His wife and a five-year-old son survive. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Rains and Snows to Start Coming Week; Temperature to Be Low

Washington, March 1.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday, issued by the Weather Bureau to-day, are: North and Middle Atlantic States: Disturbances attended by rains and snows Monday or Tuesday and again on Friday. Temperature will be below normal most of the week.

TAX STATEMENTS OUT Statements of 1919 city tax which is due now are being mailed to property owners by City Treasurer C. E. Weber. All abatement of one per cent, is allowed until May 1 for all city taxes paid before that time. Yesterday 850 persons paid occupation taxes at the treasurer's office and because of the big rush to have paid on time, Mr. Weber has allowed another week.

GAY FAVORS SUFFRAGE LAW Washington, March 1.—With an announcement to-day by Senator Gay of Louisiana, Democrat, that he would support the new compromise woman suffrage resolution proposed in the Senate yesterday, hope of champions of equal franchise measure for its adoption before Congress adjourns were raised.

WOULD ABOLISH LUXURY TAX Washington, March 1.—The House to-day passed and sent to the Senate the resolution providing for the repeal of the luxury tax imposed by the war revenue bill. It closed a ten per cent waiting period on higher priced wearing apparel and many other articles.

GOETHALS BACK TO CIVIL LIFE Washington, March 1.—Major General George W. Goethals returned to civil life to-day as a retired officer of the army.

ANARCHY TO BE PUT DOWN HERE WITH EDUCATION

Welfare Commission to See That Bolshevism Is Stamped Out in Pennsylvania

THE GOVERNOR IS ACTIVE

Legislature to Pass Needed Statute Within Next Thirty Days

Many difficulties must be overcome by the new commission which is to fight Bolshevism, Mr. McClain explains. Among them are the following:

The lack of ability on the part of public school teachers to inculcate into the minds of their pupils the true meaning of American principles and institutions.

Lack of knowledge of American ideals by aliens who have come to this country as a refuge from their sufferings in their native lands.

Unemployment growing out of the rapid demobilization of the military forces and the closing down of war industries.

The aggressive campaign of the Bolshevists throughout the country.

The apathy of the nation at large to the danger which now confronts it, because of Bolshevism and other radical propaganda.

Bolshevism will be met in Pennsylvania with an iron hand if any attempt is made to embroil the State in anarchy and lawlessness, according to Frank B. McClain, former lieutenant-governor, who has been asked by Governor Sproul to become the administrative head of the Pennsylvania Commission of Public Welfare.

A bill to meet the needs of the times and establishing the commission will be introduced in the Legislature Monday night. It will have the sanction of the Governor and

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GERMANY SHOWS SIGNS OF ANARCHY IN WIDE UNREST

Discontent Spreads in Teuton Realm; Well-informed Turn Pessimists

REDS GIVE UP MUNITIONS

Spartacan Leaders Escape From Dusseldorf as Troops Take Possession

YANKS INCREASE GUARD

Food Train For Troops and Prisoners Protected by Armed Americans

LONDON, March 1.—A further revolutionary movement in Germany is imminent, according to a report reaching London through Holland to-day. It is added that Chancellor Scheldeman has resigned.

London, March 1.—A Reuter's report concerning the internal demoralization of Germany and the dangerous growth of Bolshevism describes the position of Germany as more precarious than it was last November.

"Discontent is growing, the people are hungry, neurasthenic and dispirited and the government is unable to improve material conditions," this report says. "Far-sighted and well-informed men are pessimistic and apprehensive at ominous signs which show a tendency toward anarchy."

Spartacans Resist Feebly Spartan forces offered very feeble resistance to government troops when the latter took Ham-burg on Thursday, and gave up two cannon, 3,000 rifles and a quantity of munitions.

At Essen the number of strikers now is estimated at 5,000. If the strike continues at Erfurt, there

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LODGE CALLS CONFERENCE OF SENATORS

WASHINGTON.—Minority Leader Lodge to-day issued a call for a conference of Republican senators at 5.30 o'clock this evening to consider whether concerted action should be taken in an effort to force an extra session by opposition to the Victory Loan bill authorizing seven billion dollars of new securities.

OPPOSITION TO PALMER FADES

WASHINGTON.—The Senate judiciary committee to-day by unanimous vote ordered a favorable report on the nomination of A. Mitchell Palmer, alien property custodian, to be attorney general. Absence of Republican opposition foreshadowed prompt confirmation by the Senate.

STOCKHOLM—Lithuanian troops, closely pursuing Bolshevik forces, have passed the line of Schaulen, Sjeduva, Vieves and Varena, which towns are in Lithuanian hands, according to advices received here from Kovno.

M'ANDLESS LEADS IN BILLIARDS

CHICAGO.—Three games were scheduled to-day in the National Amateur Billiard Championships. Robert M. Lord, of Chicago, is pitted against David McAndless, Chicago; Corwin Huston, champion, will play P. P. Trump, of Pittsburgh, and Percy N. Collins, Chicago, drew J. E. C. Morton, of Philadelphia, as opponent. In the two days' play to date McAndless leads with two wins. Neither Morton nor Trump has yet won a game.

WOMAN'S BODY FOUND

MIDDLETOWN.—The body of Mrs. Laura Springer, who disappeared several days ago, was found to-day in the Swatara Creek.

BAN PLACED ON GRAIN SHIPMENTS

CHICAGO.—The railroad administration to-day prohibits shipments of bulk domestic grain to

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Joseph F. Dittler, Harrisburg, and Esther F. Quigley, Hanover; Harry S. Tyson and Etta M. Goben, Red Lion; Valen-ter A. Kiehn and Emma C. Yester, Lancaster; Wesley A. Bender, New Haven, Conn., and Anna E. Carr, Harrisburg; Henry A. Sen-senell and Reba Smith, Harrisburg.