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WILSON WILL BE SATISFIED WITH RESERVATIONS TO TREATY OF PEACE

Tells Hitchcock They Are Acceptable, Providing League of Nations Covenant Is Not Nullified

PROGRAM OUTLINED TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE Declares if Foreign Relation Changes Are Adopted the President Could "Pigeon-hole" Document

Washington, Nov. 7. — President Wilson to-day told Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, administration leader in the Senate treaty fight, that he would be entirely satisfied with any reservations which supporters of the Treaty might feel justified in accepting, provided they did not nullify the League of Nations covenant and were designed for the purpose interpreting the terms of the Treaty.

The President, Senator Hitchcock said, expressed "his very strong approval" of what had been done to date and agreed that no compromise would be offered unless a deadlock was reached on a resolution of ratification.

Senator Hitchcock outlined his program as first an endeavor to defeat the reservations reported by the Foreign Relations Committee, and if that failed, to vote down the resolution of ratification containing them. His next move would be to present a resolution of ratification and should a deadlock ensue to attempt a compromise with Republican opponents.

Threat of Pigeonhole Senator Hitchcock said if a resolution of ratification containing the committee reservations were adopted that would settle the fight so far as the President could "pigeon-hole" the Treaty. He declined to speculate as to the probable course of the President should the committee resolution prevail.

Dropped Up in Bed Senator Hitchcock was with the President for half an hour. Mr. Wilson received him propped up in bed. Senator Hitchcock said the President expressed interest throughout the conference and expressed his judgments and opinions energetically.

The senator outlined the plan to be followed in consideration of the committee reservations and the President gave general approval. "He was laudatory of the success we have achieved so far," the senator said, "and expressed the hope that we would be able to work out some settlement between the reservation senators and those who favor unqualified acceptance of the Treaty wherever they could meet on common ground."

Gives Present Status Senator Hitchcock explained to the President the present status of the Treaty and expressed the opinion that the Republicans could secure adoption of the committee reservations while the Senate sat in the coming session as only a majority was required.

"Our intention then," the senator said, "if the reservations still are in their present form is to oppose the resolution of ratification. Some Democrats, of course, probably will not line up with us on that, but I am confident we have enough unqualified acceptance of the Treaty to carry the vote on ratification because two-thirds will be required."

"We will then offer a resolution of ratification ourselves which may be defeated," the senator said. "The senator was asked what he replied that would be the point at which compromise might be effected."

The senator said he found the President much improved in health, but that the lines in his face showed that he had endured great suffering during his illness. The whole reservation program was considered at a conference of Democratic Senators last night. Mr. Hitchcock expected to give the President the views of the Senators as developed at the conference.

The meeting with Senator Hitchcock was the first personal conference the President had arranged since he was compelled by illness to abandon his western tour in the interest of the Treaty.

Reservations Up With all pending amendments to the Peace Treaty out of the way, the 14 Foreign Relations Committee reservations and preamble were before the Senate to-day for action. The Treaty line-up of Senators was expected to be altered when the reservations were brought up as some of those who have been favoring amendments have expressed opposition to reservation amendments. Opponents were known to look with favor upon some of the reservations.

COMPLETE PLANS FOR BATTLE TO END STRIKE

Government and Miners to Go Into Courts Tomorrow; Neither Side Concedes

TO ASK FOR DISMISSAL While U. S. Wants Mandatory Order Calling Off Walk-out Issued

By Associated Press Indianapolis, Nov. 7.—Government officials, headed by C. B. Ames, Assistant Attorney General, who arrived this morning from Washington, to-day completed their plans for the next step in their fight in the courts to end the strike of coal miners throughout the country.

To-morrow the government's petition asking that the restraining order directed against the officials of the United Mine Workers of America, now in force, be made a temporary restraining order, will be argued in Federal court here. In addition the government will ask that a mandatory order to call off the strike be issued.

The miners' attorneys, on their part, will argue a motion for dismissal of the government's proceedings on the ground that the government has not shown its interest in the miners' controversy and that it is without equity in the matter.

Neither miners nor government representatives to-day showed any inclination to concede any point to the opposition.

The stoppage of production of coal is beginning to be felt in Indiana and to meet the situation lightless nights and curtailment of consumption of water, gas and other services, from coal burning utilities have been ordered by the State Public Service Commission for all cities where utilities have less than two weeks' supply of coal.

The situation in the coal fields of the State is unchanged.

Coal Strike and Industrial Situation in General Before Cabinet Meeting

Washington, Nov. 7.—The strike of bituminous miners in particular and the industrial situation in general were discussed by President Wilson's cabinet to-day at a special meeting called by Secretary Lansing of the War Department.

Fuel Administrator Garfield and Director General Hines of the railroad administration, were present.

Before the cabinet assembled administration spokesmen reiterated that the government was unalterably opposed to the proposal of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, that the injunction suit against the United Mine Workers of America be withdrawn as a preliminary to the ending of the strike and the negotiation of a new agreement between the miners and operators.

Officers said that the government's offer to arbitrate the controversy as soon as the strike order was withdrawn was accepted and the strike ended there was no course for the government except to press the injunction suit.

MANY DISTURBANCES Youngstown, O., Nov. 7.—Minor disturbances broke out in widely separated parts of the city to-day in connection with the steel strike.

Twelve women were arrested in East 7th street after they had marched up and down the streets and attempted to prevent workmen from entering the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company plant.

Fire Chief to Probe Fire in Mull Home When a candle toppled over on a table in the attic, the home of George D. Mull, and Jacob R. Mull, tinmiths, 1839 North Fourth street, was threatened with fire. No persons were home at the time.

Even a Coal Strike May Have Some Beneficial Effect If It Lasts Long Enough



U. S. CHARGED WITH BETRAYING CODE OF GERMANS

Dr. Zimmerman Tells of Suspicions; Bernstorff Never Knew of "Such Treason"

Berlin, Thursday, Nov. 7.—Dr. Alfred Zimmerman, secretary for foreign affairs during the war, caused a mild sensation during to-day's session of the National Assembly committee investigating the war when he admitted that the German authorities had been suspicious that their code, which was known by an American as betrayed by the United States Government.

Count Bernstorff, asked regarding the code at first said he could not swear that wireless messages received in America had been kept from the Entente. Later he said under oath that he never knew of "such treason."

Boat Warfare Comes Up The submarine warfare came up in discussion again to-day.

Vice Admiral Eduard von Capello, one of the advocates of the submarine campaign said the U-boats had not been able to get at American transports, because each submarine covered a limited circle around England and the whole ocean could not be patrolled.

Various British and American inventions like the lightning bolt, the submarine, the airplane, and other things which prevented attacks on transports.

Admiral Von Capelle did not mention mines or depth charges during his recital. He could not admit that the admiralty underestimated the United States as a factor in the war, but declared it was known, from England's experience with a volunteer army, that the United States could not raise many troops in six months, and it was thought by the time they were trained the war would be over.

Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, chancellor during the greater part of the war, declared he believed in June and July, 1917, that the submarine warfare so destructive that England was weakening. He said Lloyd George's speech when he asked for "ships, ships" was probably not recognized as a peace opportunity, and he asserted the same could be added of the speech of Lloyd George at Glasgow demanding "silver and bullets."

Ludendorff Summoned What had been the impression regarding the entry of the United States into the war was then discussed by the commission. Von Bethmann-Hollweg declared that any man who read the Lusitania and Sussex notes of the United States in the war, knew this was inevitable.

USE OF SCHOOLS AS CITY CENTERS BEING PLANNED

Expensive Buildings Are Used Only Third of Time of Working Day

MILLIONS STANDING IDLE All Civic Organizations Join in Movement to Provide Wholesome Recreation

At a hastily called meeting held last evening in the Technical High School Auditorium, Clarence E. Zorger, director of special activities for the Harrisburg school district, outlined the community work which he hopes to carry on for Harrisburg this winter.

On account of the haste with which the meeting was called, all civic organizations were not able to be reached in time to have their representatives present last night, and for that reason a larger meeting will be held in the near future when the Knights of Columbus, the Jewish Welfare Board, the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Salvation Army, Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, Civic Club, labor organizations and many other civic bodies will send their representatives to outline community work such as has been carried on with much success in other cities.

Mr. Zorger said to-day he estimates that out of 4,056 possible hours of use, the school buildings are used only 1.33 hours, or only one-thirtieth of the time. There are six school auditoriums and gymnasiums which can be used for all manner of community work, but he said nothing of vacant rooms in the school buildings which can also be made available for many forms of amusement and recreation.

The Harrisburg School Board has promised to offer the use of these buildings for any purpose the committee which will be eventually composed of members from all organizations in the city, may wish to put them. The idea, according to Mr. Zorger, is something of a "Community Service Clearing House."

A committee composed of Warren R. Jackson, Mrs. Lyman Gilbert, William Jennings, Mrs. William Henderson, V. Grant Forrer and Clarence E. Zorger, will take the matter in hand and will plan for the meeting which is to be held shortly.

The Chamber of Commerce has accepted the invitation of the Community Service Corporation, which has taken over the work of the War Community Service, to send to Harrisburg at its own expense, an organizer who will cooperate with the Harrisburg committee in furthering the work of community service.

Commissioner Stine Is First to File Election Expense Account

County Commissioner Henry M. Stine, who was re-elected on Tuesday by a big majority, was the first to file a general election expense account, which showed that he had spent \$425.25 during his campaign. Candidates have 15 days after the general election to file accounts at the prothonotary's office.

The official count of the vote was continuing to-day and it was expected that the votes cast in the city districts would be tabulated early this afternoon. The computation may be completed to-morrow.

\$500,000 Capital Voted by Commonwealth Trust

Capital stock of the Commonwealth Trust Company was increased from \$250,000 to \$500,000 it was decided this morning at a meeting of the stockholders of the company. The money is needed to care for the company's fast increasing business, it was announced by William Jennings, president.

Various rumors have been circulated relative to proposed building, but the matter was not considered to-day. At present the company owns several of the properties between the Bergner Building and Strawberry street, facing the Third street properties extend to the bank building.

W. H. BENNETHUM, JR. GOES UNDER KNIFE

William H. Bennethum, Jr., of 2205 North Second street, was operated on for appendicitis yesterday in a Reading hospital. He is connected with Dives, Pomeroy and Stewart. His condition is good.

WOULD USE AIRSHIPS AS SANATORIA FOR TUBERCULOSIS

London, Oct. 24.—The employment of airships as sanatoria for the treatment of tuberculosis and other diseases is advocated by a doctor who was attached to the British air force during the war, according to The Globe. The patients, it is pointed out, would be able to live for several days or even weeks at a height of about 5,000 feet, enjoying complete rest and breathing air as pure as that of the mountains. Only one of the famous mountain resorts which only the rich can afford to visit.

"FAKE" ARMISTICE ONE YEAR AGO

All plans for the celebration of Armistice Day, November 11, recalls that to-day is the anniversary of "fake" armistice day. Do you remember it? That was the day when a false report flashed throughout the country by the United Press set Harrisburg and the entire country aflame with a wild joy and riotous rejoicing. And do you remember how the Telegraph persistently told you that the report was false?

PLENTY OF FLOUR DESPITE RUMORS, SAY DEALERS

Rumors Make Heavy Demand on Stocks Held in City

There is no shortage of flour in Pennsylvania, according to an announcement made yesterday from the offices of the United States Grain Corporation.

Utterly unfounded rumors have created the impression among housewives that the supply of flour is inadequate. Those reports are "foolish" and "silly." Some retail grocers are temporarily unable to meet the immediate demand, although a sufficient quantity of flour was at hand because of transportation difficulties. Some housewives grew alarmed.

Many housewives have rushed to the grocery stores, buying up flour in extraordinarily large quantities. That, according to the Government authorities, is unnecessary.

FATALLY BEAT WATCHMAN

Phillipsburg, N. J., Nov. 7.—Robbers last night beat up and perhaps fatally injured William Starkey, night watchman at the Holt Piece Dye Company Works here and stealing \$12,000 worth of silk, made their escape.

SENATE REFUSES TO STRIKE OUT ACCEPTANCE PROVISION

WASHINGTON. — IN THE FIRST TEST OF STRENGTH ON THE RESERVATIONS TO THE PEACE TREATY PROPOSED BY THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, THE SENATE REFUSED TO-DAY BY A VOTE OF 48 TO 40, TO STRIKE OUT THE PROVISION WHICH WOULD REQUIRE ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESERVATIONS BY THE OTHER POWERS. SENATOR McCUMBER, NORTH DAKOTA, WAS THE ONLY REPUBLICAN WHO VOTED TO STRIKE OUT.

THREE DEMOCRATS — REED, MISSOURI; WALSH, MASSACHUSETTS, AND GORE, OKLAHOMA, VOTED WITH THE REPUBLICAN MAJORITY.

SHONTS RESIDUARY ESTATE GOES "TO FRIEND"

New York.—The will of Theodore P. Shonks, who was president of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, was filed for probate here to-day. After making provision for various members of his family, the residuary estate is left "to my friend," Amanda C. Thomas, of 930 Park avenue.

DISCLOSE GERMAN I. W. W. PLOT

New York.—Country-wide attempts to organize German branches of the Industrial Workers of the World were disclosed by the police to-day. Thousands of circulars have been distributed from Chicago.

PROHIBITION AMENDMENT WINS IN KENTUCKY

Louisville.—Unofficial returns from 90 counties in Tuesday's election showed a majority of 4,500 for the state-wide prohibition amendment and indicated that the amendment had won with several thousand votes to spare.

THREE DEAD, 20 HURT IN FIRE AT BIG HOTEL

Atlanta City Hostelery Burns; Guests Forced to Flee in Night Clothes

MANY ESCAPE BY LEAPING Flee to Roofs of Adjoining Structures or Are Rescued by Firemen

By Associated Press Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 7.—Three men are dead, two dying and a number seriously injured as a result of a fire early to-day in the Wilson Hotel in the business district here. Between twenty and thirty persons, including seven women, were in the building. Many escaped by leaping to the roofs of adjoining structures and firemen rescued others. The dead: Proctor B. Lawrence, hotel clerk, 75.

Sergeant Schley Flack, Silver Springs, Texas, on duty at Camp Gordon, 21. An unidentified man. The property loss was small and the cause of the fire has not been determined. None of the women guests was injured.

The fire apparently broke out in the second story of the three-story building, the ground floor of which is occupied by stores and a moving picture theater.

The flames, when discovered, had burst out of the window along the side of the building and five minutes later were sucked up toward the roof. By the time the firemen arrived scores of men and women were hanging out of windows screaming for help.

One woman leaped to her death. The others who escaped the flames were brought down on fire ladders. None of the guests, among whom were a number of soldiers, was able to save more than a few personal belongings hastily grabbed up, and most of them wore only their night clothes.

The injured were rushed to the city hospital, where it was said two or three might die.

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and Vicinity: Generally light to heavy rain, probably light rain. Not much change in temperature, lowest to-night about 38 degrees. Eastern Pennsylvania: Generally light to heavy rain, probably light rain. Gentle winds mostly northeast. River: The Susquehanna river and probably all its branches will fall. A stage of about 6.2 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Saturday morning.