

HUGHES FAVORS LEAGUE RESERVATIONS

Washington, July 28.—Chas. Evans Hughes, in a letter to United States Senator Hale, of Maine, made public today declared himself in favor of a league of nations but maintained that several reservations and interpretations to the present covenant were necessary to "protect America's interests. The interpretations and reservations Hughes suggested were:

First—That any nation after giving two years notice to withdraw shall cease to be a member of the league despite any charge of nonfulfillment of any international obligation, providing the withdrawal would not relieve it of any previous financial debt or liability.

Second—That the question relating to immigration or import duties when they do not affect an international engagement should be regarded as a matter of dominant policy and not within the jurisdiction of the league.

Third—That the United States and article 21 of the covenant referring to the Monroe doctrine does not release any other nation's attitude toward purely American questions and that the United States may prevent the acquisition by any non-American power international control in the western hemisphere.

Fourth—That the United States and article 10 of the covenant does not assume any obligation to employ its army and navy in any expedition that is not authorized by congress.

Hughes' letter is in response to a communication from Senator Hale in which the latter asked the former supreme court justice for his opinion as to what reservations to the peace treaty should be made "to safeguard the interests of our country."

Hale said "any of us are in favor of entering a league of nations providing that in so doing we do not sacrifice the sovereignty of traditional policies of our country." He added that "we believe the proposed covenant now before the senate does make such a sacrifice." "There is a plain made league of nations," Hughes replied. In order to provide for the adequate development of international law and for creating and maintaining organized international law, justice." It is manifest that every reasonable effort should be made to establish peace as rapidly as possible and to bring about a condition in which Europe can Miss Hazel Berg, 13 year old, of Erskine, Minn.

FAST AMOUNT OF MONEY SPENT

New York, July 28.—Out of a total of \$125,282,052 collected by the Y. M. C. A. for war work the association had spent \$97,817,005 up to April first, a report made public today revealed more than \$30,000,000 spent in home camps, more than \$40,000,000 in camps of the American Expeditionary Forces and the remainder with the allied armies and foreign prison camps. One item of \$1,478,000 went for the loss of the post exchanges and canteens and a loss of two million four hundred thousand dollars was for the transversion of money to foreign capital based on the present rate of exchange.

PRESIDENT TAKES INITIATIVE IN FIGHT

Washington, July 26.—President Wilson today took the initiative in a fight over the ratification of the peace treaty. He planned to go to the capital—for the third time since his return from Europe—and conferred with the democratic leaders. The president wrote a letter to Senator Lodge, leader of the opposition answering the request of the senate for information and data on the part of the peace conference it became known today. League opponents are interested in the publication of the letter as it is expected to reveal the president's attitude on the senate demands. The president's reply has called forth much comment on the senate floor. Meanwhile the senate took a day off from debating on the league of nations. Opponents of the league are busy whipping into shape a series of heart speeches which will be delivered next week.

FIRE DESTROYS SEVERAL HOTELS

Utica, N. Y., July 26.—Two hotels were practically destroyed and another badly damaged by fire at Sharon Springs near here today. Hundreds of guests fled from the buildings, many of them jumping from the lower windows or being carried down fire ladders from the upper windows. Only one man was badly injured. The fire started at the Manhattan Hotel from a kettle of grease boiling over. The fire spread to the Morrell House then to the Eldridge House. The two former hotels were virtually razed.

LOOKING FOR BOLSHEVIKE PROPAGANDISTS

New York, July 26.—Operations of the Rusk investigating committee probing Bolsheviki activities in the United States were begun today and search is being made for Sheroff-Vomo-Robbich, who was sent here by Leon Trotsky, Russian Bolsheviki leader, to distribute radical propaganda in America. The committee has been furnished with a list of 200 Bolsheviki propagandists, many of whom are now believed working in this country.

AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER RESIGNS

Basle, Switzerland, July 26.—Foreign Minister Bauer, of Austria, has resigned, a dispatch from Vienna reports today. Dr. Renner, chancellor and head of the Austrian peace delegation, has assumed the added responsibility of foreign secretary.

BULGARIAN PEACE DELEGATION ARRIVES

Paris, July 26.—The Bulgarian peace delegation arrived here today. The terms of the Bulgarian peace treaty is practically completed it is understood, and will be handed to the enemy plenipotentiaries soon.

REPEAL SODA AND ICE CREAM TAX

Washington, July 26.—The house ways and means committee today will report out a bill to repeal the ten per cent tax on soda water and soft drinks.

PRESIDENT SOON TO START ON TOUR

Washington, July 28.—Before starting on his tour of the United States President Wilson plans to have a number of conferences with democrats in both the house and senate to advise with him regarding pending legislation it is understood today. While on the road the president intends to keep in close touch with the situation at Washington and to be in a position to advise the administration leaders by telegraph of the course they should pursue on subjects which if handled improperly might embarrass him. During President Wilson's absence the house will recess but many committees will remain on the ground whipping important measures into shape. The president's departure from Washington is now booked for Wednesday of next week. Prior to his leave taking the president plans to make one or two visits to the capital to confer with the democratic leaders. His scheduled visit to the capital last Saturday was postponed owing to the absence of many senators whom he wished to see. The president had conference scheduled with democratic congressmen today. He was also to meet Representative Steenerson of Minnesota, at the White House.

Representative Steenerson, of Minnesota, and Editor Charles L. Stevens, of the Warren Register, presented to the president a flag proposed for the league of nations. The flag contains a large blue star with a back ground of white. On the blue star are twenty-six white stars representing the powers of the league. The flag is designed by Miss Hazel Berg, 13 years old, of England, Minn.

ALL SENATE EYES ON WHITE HOUSE

Washington, July 28.—Senate eyes were focused on the White House today in expectation that the next important move would be made there. Whether it is to be a statement on the permanent attitude on reservations to the peace treaty or an explanation regarding Shan Tung or a reply to his senate rities on the withdrawal of the British, French and American defenses agreement, and the president's next move will be the signal for renewal of debate. Meanwhile the senate has resumed league speeches today with Senator Walsh, of Montana, discussing Irish freedom, Ssantaung, article 10 of the covenant. The foreign relations committee was expected to finish reading of the peace treaty today and then temporarily lay it aside to take up the Colombian treaty. More than a score of sections of the treaty have thus far been reserved in committee by members who desire to be heard upon the senate floor on these particular subjects. There was indication, however, that after all the volunteers on reservations had been heard from Senator Lodge and Senator Knox and other republican leaders will draw up a proposal for reservations and interpretations.

GERMAN NEWSPAPERS PUBLISH ABDICATION

Berlin, July 28.—Ten German newspapers today published an account of the proceedings at Spa, German headquarters on November 9 which resulted in the kaiser's abdication. Fields Marshal Von Hindenburg urged Wilhelm to abdicate, it is declared. The latter agreed to renounce the title as kaiser but not as king of Prussia. In the meantime King Maximilian of Baden, is said to have daringly altered a dispatch from Woelffdol so that he renounced complete abdication and it was upon this act Wilhelm capitulated. As a result of Foreign Minister Erzberger's exposure in the national assembly showing Germany had rejected a peace offer in 1917 the Vortwaetts demands that Dr. George Michaelis, who was chancellor at that time, be tried on the charge of lureriminal negligence for failure to conclude an early treaty of peace.

RACE RIOTS SUBSIDING IN CHICAGO

Chicago, July 28.—Race rioting in Chicago has subsided into a guerrilla warfare today. Extra patrolmen and mounted police in the black belt were occupied in breaking up sporadic encounters. There was little shooting and not much damage done. The stockyards with its heavy population of colored workers was the storm center early today. Extra guards were on hand to prevent disorder. The riots started Sunday at one of the beaches where the negroes invaded a section where only white had previously been permitted to swim. One negro is reported to have been drowned when knocked from a boat by a rock thrown by one of the mob.

TO INVESTIGATE OIL OPERATIVES

Washington, July 28.—Investigation of the operatives of the Pacific Coast oil companies by the federal trade commission is provided for in a senate resolution introduced today by senator Poindexter, of Washington. The resolution requests that every phase of the oil business both producing and marketing, be gone into with particular reference to fuel and oil. In introducing the resolution Senator Poindexter declared oil consumers on the Pacific Coast were required to pay \$1.95 a gallon for oil which is sold in New Orleans at 80c per gallon.

AMERICA EUROPE'S BEST CUSTOMER

Washington, July 28.—Europe is America's biggest and best customer and wants credit now to tide over the present financial difficulty, Edward N. Hurley declared in an interview today urging American business men to give much thought to the restitution of the war devastated countries. Hurley added that Europe is looking to this country for assistance in its present plight.

RAID PROMINENT GAMBLING DEN

New York, July 28.—New York troops and constables headed by well known attorneys and citizens of Nassau county, N. Y., Long Island, raided an alleged gambling house in a fashionable quarter of Long Island yesterday morning. Roulette games were said to be in full blast and were being patronized by men and women in full dress. Several women escaped across muddy fields.

"Maybe nobody has told you" says the Good Judge—

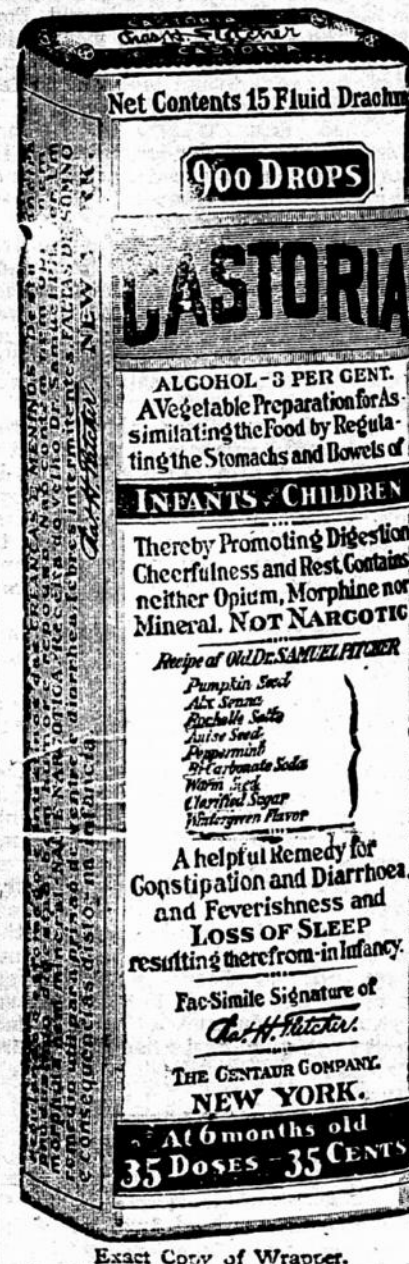
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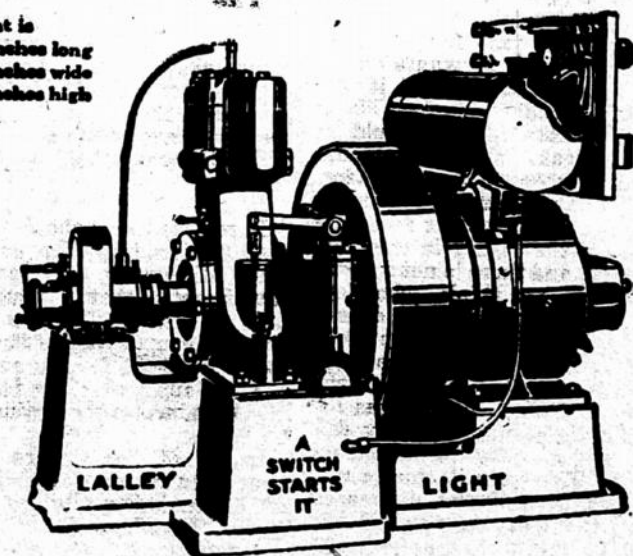
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WILL ATTEMPT LONG NON-STOP FLIGHT

Augusta, Maine, July 26.—Lieut. Hartz, who is making a trip around the brim of the country, in a Martin bombing plane, started here today on the second leg of his journey at 11:45 a. m. Col. Hartz will attempt a non-stop flight from this city to Cleveland.