

ALLIES ASK GERMANY IF SHE PLANS TO SIGN PROTOCOL OR DECLINE

Sudden Departure of German Commission from Paris Calls Forth a Summons, but Not an Ultimatum, According to the Interpretation in Peace Circles.

U. S. SENATE'S FAILURE TO RATIFY IS BLAMED

French Make That Claim, but in American Peace Circles in Paris the Departure of Germans Is Laid to Their Hesitancy Through Loss of American Support.

Paris, Nov. 24.—The supreme council today decided to send the German delegation here a note in reply to the one submitted by the Germans, informing the council of the departure for Berlin of the plenipotentiaries sent in connection with the peace treaty.

It was announced that the German and Polish plenipotentiaries discussing the question of Danzig would hold meetings in Paris.

Paris, Nov. 24.—The sudden departure of the commission headed by Herr Von Simson delegated by the German government to sign for Germany the peace treaty and to exchange ratifications of the document, is regarded in American peace delegation circles as having close connection with the news of the adjournment of the United States Senate without ratifying the treaty.

The American opinion, however, does not agree with the majority of French critics that the Germans are using the failure of the Senate to ratify the treaty as a pretext for avoiding fulfillment of the peace terms. It is suggested that the Germans are hesitating because they are confronted with a situation in which the absence of American members from the commissions charged with supervision of execution of the treaty, deprives them of what they are supposed to consider as a counterpoise to the points of view of their former European enemies.

BELIEVE U. S. NEED NOT WITHDRAW TROOPS

American Peace Conference Circles Think That Failure of Senate to Ratify Does Not Change United States Position.

Paris, Nov. 24.—The withdrawal of the American troops from Coblenz in occupied Germany is not considered in American peace conference circles as necessary in consequence of the failure of the United States Senate to ratify the German peace treaty.

GERMANS APATHETIC OVER SENATE DEADLOCK

One Paper Thinks the Issue in Senate Was More or Less of a Political Matter.

Berlin, Sunday, Nov. 23 (By the Associated Press).—Failure of the United States Senate to ratify the treaty between the allied powers and Germany is considered the result of partisan politics by Die Zeit, which comments today upon the situation.

AMERICANS WILL SIGN BULGARIAN TREATY

Ceremonies Are Due to Take Place at Neuilly, France, on Thursday.

Paris, Nov. 24.—The American delegates to the peace conference, not having received instructions to the contrary, will sign the Bulgarian peace treaty, unless there are new developments before Thursday.

COPIES OF PAPERS SEIZED

Declares Lloyd George Is More Conciliatory Than Russian Bolsheviks.

Paris, Nov. 24 (Havas).—One thousand copies of the newspaper La Feuille which is published in Geneva and the circulation of which is forbidden in France because of its bolshevik tendencies, were seized by the police yesterday, according to the Press de Paris.

INQUIRE INTO DELAY ON DEPARTING RADICALS

Congressional Committee Finds Inadequate Machinery and Shortage of Help at Ellis Island.

New York, Nov. 24.—Formal inquiry into the causes of delay in deportation of radical aliens held at Ellis Island was begun today by members of the House committee on immigration, headed by Representative Albert Johnson of Washington.

The committee made a tour of investigation of the immigration offices yesterday and discovered, according to Mr. Johnson, that lack of adequate machinery and employees was greatly hampering the work of handling aliens.

In a statement last night Chairman Johnson said that the radical Russians were being smuggled into the United States from Mexico at the rate of about 100 a day.

Mr. Uhl also repeated what he told the committee informally Saturday that of the 65 aliens, 32 of them were alleged anarchists, brought here from Seattle, Wash., last spring, only seven were deported, and the majority of the remainder released on bond or parole.

Commissioner Uhl also told the committee that 13 persons, mostly slow-walkers, had escaped from the island since June. He attributed this to the shortage of able-bodied watchmen, stating that he was forced to carry a number of old and decrepit watchmen on the payroll because they had no other means of support.

SIX REAR ADMIRALS

Gathered at the Boston Navy Yard for Duty and Pleasure.

Boston, Nov. 24.—Six rear admirals gathered at the navy yard here today. Rear Admiral Robert E. Coontz, chief of the bureau of operations, Thomas Washington, chief of the bureau of navigation, and Hugo Osterhaus, head of the naval districts, were here for official inspection, and were the guests of Rear Admiral Herbert O. Dunn, commandant of the first naval district.

REDS REPORT SUCCESS

Claim to Be Making Advances Against Gen. Denikine.

London, Nov. 24.—Continued advances against General Denikine and Admiral Kolchak's forces are claimed in the Russian soviet communique received by wireless today.

ANOTHER MINE CLOSED

Because 1,100 Miners at Ward, W. Va., Failed to Report.

TITONI QUILTS CABINET JOB

Has Been Succeeded as the Italian Foreign Minister by Scialoja

WIDL RUMORS HEARD OF REVOLT SPIRIT

Even the Reigning House Is Said to Be Involved in the Plans

Rome, Nov. 24.—Tommasi Titoni, Italian foreign minister, has resigned and Vittorio Scialoja, minister without portfolio, has been named to succeed him, according to the Epoca.

Rome, Friday, Nov. 21 (By the Associated Press).—Rumors of the widest character regarding the possibility of a revolt in the Italian cabinet, involving not only the cabinet but also the reigning house of Italy, are in circulation as the opening of Parliament, set for Dec. 1, approaches.

The Socialists, proud of their recent victory, are eager to continue what they call their "march forward."

Members of this section are quoted as declaring that, comprising as they do, 150 "live wires" among the 550 deputies, the remainder will not dare oppose them and that they will be able to accomplish "some supreme act of rebellion which will overthrow the present government of the bourgeoisie."

Formerly the Socialists never attended the opening of Parliament, absenting themselves so that they might avoid being present when the king delivered his speech from the throne, and to escape the presence of the cabinet in the king's presence.

The rules of the Italian Parliament do not provide for any such contingency as is thus threatened. It is stipulated that no police or armed force can be employed in the hall where the senators and deputies meet.

The council of ministers has been meeting almost daily to discuss this grave situation, as well as the Adriatic complications.

Recent Rome dispatches have hinted at a possible demonstration against King Victor Emmanuel on the part of anti-constitutional deputies on the occasion of the delivery of the speech from the throne and reports were circulated that the speech might be read by Premier Nitti or some other official instead of the king, who left Rome last week.

In a dispatch from Rome dated Saturday and received here on Sunday, however, the Giraffe d'Italia was quoted as denying that the king would not be present at the opening of Parliament and adding that all the constitutional deputies stood ready to make an enthusiastic demonstration for the sovereign.

It may be noted that the Rome dispatch received today bearing Friday's date and bringing out clearly the seriousness of the crisis as it then appeared, has been preceded in arrival by dispatches of later date.

A DAYLIGHT HOLD-UP

Four Bandits Robbed Man in Cleveland of \$4,200 Cash.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 24.—Four bandits, two of them armed, staged a daylight hold-up this morning, robbing Barnett Grosman of \$4,200 in cash almost in front of his home, and escaping.

WIDELY KNOWN ALIENIST

Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton Died at Great Barrington, Mass.

Great Barrington, Mass., Nov. 24.—Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton of New York, widely known alienist and specialist on nervous diseases, died suddenly at his summer residence here yesterday.

He testified for the government as an expert in the trial of Guiteau, assassin of President Garfield, and appeared in many other noted criminal trials. He was the author of medical and other books and for three years was professor of mental diseases at the Cornell university medical college.

MEXICO HAS NOT REPLIED

To United States' Demand for the Immediate Release of Jenkins

MEXICAN CABINET DISCUSSED CASE

Conference Was Held Friday with Governor of Puebla Present

Washington, D. C., Nov. 24.—The American government's note demanding the immediate release of William O. Jenkins, American consular agent at Puebla, is understood to have been considered by the Mexican cabinet last Friday, the state department announced today.

Governor Cabrera of Puebla was present, but the department's advice did not say what action, if any, was taken.

The department's statement follows: "The department has not yet received the answer of the Mexican government to the American note calling for the immediate release of William O. Jenkins, the American consular agent at Puebla, Mexico, who was re-arrested and put in the penitentiary shortly after his release from the city of Puebla. It is understood that the Mexican cabinet had the note under consideration Friday and that Governor Cabrera of Puebla was called in from Puebla for report."

DANCE HALL FIRE KILLED 28 PEOPLE

Scores More Were Injured at Villa Platte, La., When They Tried to Get Out Through Narrow Exit.

Villa Platte, La., Nov. 24.—The total loss of life in the dance hall fire here Saturday night was placed today at 28. About 300 persons were at the dance on the second floor of the two-story frame building when the fire started and in addition to the heavy deaths scores were badly burned or seriously hurt in the mad rush to escape through the one narrow exit.

The fire was said to have started from the explosion of an oil stove on which a 12-year-old boy was making coffee in a store room beneath the dancers.

IRISH BANK CLERKS TO STRIKE

If Bank Directors Fail to Recognize Clerks' Union.

Dublin, Sunday, Nov. 23.—Bank clerks throughout Ireland will strike on Dec. 1, unless the directors of the banks consent to recognize their union, an action which they have hitherto refused to take.

This was decided upon at a conference of the Irish Bank Clerks' union here today. Fifty-six delegates at the meeting voted unanimously in favor of the strike, which will affect 3,000 out of a total of 3,700 bank clerks in Ireland.

TO STUDY CONDITIONS

Relative to Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones in Europe.

Rome, Nov. 23.—An immediate meeting of experts from all countries with a view to studying the situation relative to posts, telegraphs and telephones was decided upon today by the supreme economic council.

The French delegate asked that the council co-operate closely with the league of nations, but decision on this point was deferred until the next session, which will be held in Paris in January.

In the meantime the council will investigate the economic situation in Europe and will maintain contact with the economic section of the league of nations.

It was agreed by the delegates that it was necessary to adopt all means of maintaining an interrelated economic organization, which, it was said, would be particularly indispensable next spring.

REVOKE JITNEY LICENSES

Lawrence, Mass., City Council Acts in War with Trolley Lines.

Lawrence, Mass., Nov. 24.—The city council at today's session voted to revoke all jitney licenses in Lawrence, in order to go into effect at once.

Jitney drivers were instructed by their council to continue running the remainder of the day, but not to charge any fare.

The city council will later decide whether to put the transportation question on the ballot at the city election.

PRICE OF COAL DROPS IN GREAT BRITAIN

London, Nov. 24.—Sir Auckland C. Geddes, minister of national service and reconstruction, announced in the House of Commons today that the price of coal for household use would be reduced 10 shillings per ton, beginning with Dec. 1.

The reduction will solve a question that has been the cause of much agitation in the Labor party for a long time.

"WILSON DEAD" HOAX BEING INVESTIGATED

Vice-President Marshall Was Interrupted While Making Address at Atlanta Last Night.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 24.—State and city officials today were investigating the hoax perpetrated here last night by an unidentified man who telephoned to the city auditorium, where Vice-President Marshall was speaking, that President Wilson was dead and that Washington was calling Mr. Marshall.

After Mr. Marshall had announced the message to the audience women began to weep and at the request of Governor Dorsey, a minister offered a prayer.

Persons leaving the auditorium reported the report over the town and services at several churches were abruptly ended.

Meanwhile Mr. Marshall communicated with the Associated Press and learned that the report of the president's death was a San Francisco hoax. Governor Dorsey immediately offered a reward of \$100 for the arrest of the man who telephoned the false report.

CONVICT CARLISLE HEADED EASTWARD

Man Who Robbed Train Is Alleged to Have Left Note in Newspaper Office at Erie, Pa.

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 24.—Bill Carlisle, escaped convict bandit, is headed east, according to a dispatch to the Evening News from Erie, Pa., where he is said to have been last night.

Carlisle's usual spectacular methods were adopted, a note being left at a newspaper office reading: "To some editor—Just dropped in for something to eat. How is the search coming? I've got them hunting this time. Wish myself lots of luck. Bill Carlisle."

The communication was found in the mail box on the newspaper office door, where it was deposited between 8:30 and 9 o'clock Sunday evening.

The finding of the note was reported to Captain Wolff in charge of the New York Central detective force between Cleveland and Buffalo. Wolff took no chance that the note might be a hoax and immediately notified detectives all along the line to be on the alert to catch Carlisle.

AND FROM ATLANTA, TOO

Someone Is Lying About Being the Bandit Carlisle.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 24.—Chief of Police Bevers today received a postcard mailed in Atlanta at 7:30 last night and signed, "William Carlisle." It said: "Just hit this town. I like it very much. Think I will stick around here for a while and see what I can get out of the Southern railroad. Regards to the entire force."

EUROPEAN SITUATION CRITICAL

But Can Be Settled By Wise Leaders, Says Touring Chilean.

Rio Janeiro, Sunday, Nov. 23.—Eduardo Vares, head of the Chilean diplomatic and commercial mission to the United States and European countries, who has been absent from Chile for the past eight months, arrived here today from Europe on board the steamer Andes, en route to Chile by way of Buenos Aires.

Senor Vares said he considered the present situation of former European belligerents as very grave and very delicate, but was convinced the crisis would pass provided wise leaders were chosen. He thought that South American governments might take energetic measures to prevent labor troubles from spreading on this continent and expressed the opinion that the prohibition of the entry of anarchists and other radicals to South American countries should not be delayed.

VERMONT CORPORATIONS

White River Junction Company Formed to Do Insurance.

Davis & Lebourveau of White River Junction have filed articles of incorporation to do insurance business in and about that village. The papers are signed by S. B. Whitman, A. G. Whitman and Charles Tarbell of Royalton, Edwin Davis and Charles Lebourveau of White River Junction.

The Windsor County Battery association has filed a statement that \$2,700 of its proposed \$10,000 capital stock has been paid in the St. Johnsbury Grocery company that \$3,000 of \$5,000 had been paid in; East Arlington Building association that \$5,000 has been paid in; Majestic theatre of Burlington that \$2,200 of \$5,000 has been paid in.

NO WORD YET FROM GARFIELD

So the Operators and Miners Adjourn Conference Till Tuesday

THE PUBLIC WILL PAY

The Fuel Administrator Is Supposed to Determine That Question

Washington, D. C., Nov. 24.—Operators and miners of the central competitive bituminous coal field market today in their negotiations for a new wage scale while awaiting a decision by Fuel Administrator Garfield as to what proportion, if any, of the advance should be paid by the public.

When the wage scale committee met this morning, the operators obtained an adjournment until tomorrow, at which time they expect Dr. Garfield will be prepared to make a statement based on further investigation of the facts connected with the coal industry.

Two separate proposals are before the committee. One is the offer of the operators for an increase of 20 per cent for day work and 15 cents a ton for mining, and the other is the demand of the miners for a wage increase of 40 per cent and a seven-hour day.

READING, PA., CALM AFTER WILD NIGHT

Citizens Determined to Prevent a Mass Meeting of Socialists

Reading, Pa., Nov. 24.—After a night of excitement as the result of a determination of citizens to prevent a mass meeting of Socialists, Reading was calm today and confidence was expressed that no more attempts would be made by alleged radicals to create unrest in this city.

In an advertisement the American Legion thanks the patriotic citizens for answering yesterday's call to make Reading "100 per cent American." The advertisement terminates with this sentiment: "We may need you again soon."

INCREASED PAY; STRIKE ENDS

Engineers on Ocean and Coastwise Towsboats Resume Work.

New York, Nov. 24.—A strike of engineers on ocean and coastwise towsboats called six weeks ago has been settled by the granting of increased pay, it was announced here today at the office of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial association. Chief engineers, it was said, were granted \$275 a month as against the former pay of \$195, and assistant engineers \$205 as against \$165. Demands of the men for a second assistant engineer was not granted.

Owners of Holstein-Friesian cattle may be interested to learn that King Segie, "Ponce Alcarrta, known throughout the country as the prize stock of John Arfmann, the noted cattle breeder, is dead. The animal died at Mr. Arfmann's stables in Middletown, N. Y. His death was very mysterious and for this reason Mr. Arfmann has begun an investigation.

STILL IDELE AT PITTSBURGH

Union Coal Miners Are Awaiting Result of Investigation.

Pittsburgh, Nov. 24.—Union coal miners of the Pittsburgh district remained idle today and the miners displayed no inclination to return to work until some agreement has been reached by the Washington conference between representatives of the men and the operators. Fears of a coal shortage here had subsided somewhat.

PRESENTED MOTHER'S PICTURES

Daughter of French Premier Received Them from Ware, Mass., Woman.

Springfield, Mass., Nov. 24.—When Mme. Madeline Clemenceau-Jacquemais, daughter of the French premier, left this city today after addressing a public meeting yesterday, she took with her photographs of her mother, who, before her marriage to the present premier, was Miss Mary Plummer, daughter of a railroad official here.

At the time of her marriage in 1893 Miss Plummer was a pupil in a private school in Stamford, Conn., where the future French statesman was an instructor in French. The pictures given to Mme. Jacquemais by a resident of Ware were the first she had ever seen of her mother in her early years.

SEVERAL WASHED OVERBOARD

From the German Bark Paul, Which Is in Distress.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 24.—Several members of the crew of the German craft Paul, reported last Saturday in distress off the Nova Scotian coast, have been washed overboard and drowned, according to a wireless message received here today from an unidentified steamer standing by the sailing craft. The Paul, with masts shattered by the high seas, is drifting.

FALSELY LABELED WHISKEY

Was the Charge Brought Against a Wealthy Chicago Man.

COMMUNITY HOUSE ORGANIZED

At Meeting of 400 People in Congregational Church Last Night.

Special singing and a prayer by Rev. B. G. Lipsky opened the most interesting and successful of the meetings in the interest of the community house which was held last evening in the Congregational church. Over 400 people turned out to hear the plans and for the organizing of the project.

Rev. F. L. Goodspeed opened the meeting and said that it was the work of no church, yet the work of all churches, which well describes the matter. P. G. Howland, introduced as chairman, began by taking Dr. Goodspeed's thought and expanding it, saying the meeting was no one's, yet it was every one's. Quoting the general testimony, he said that the community house was a sore necessity. He called upon Rev. B. G. Lipsky, who had not been at the other meetings.

Mr. Lipsky responded briefly but to the point. He said that general amusements offered in our city, as in many others, were commercialized. We should offer social facilities which should be sustained by the churches. He said the work would tend to bring the people together in common unity.

Mr. Howland took the floor again and asked that the clergy report the names of candidates for the officers of the community project. Dr. Goodspeed, representing the clergy, read first the name of Mr. Howland for president, called for other nominations and then asked for a vote and declared it in favor of Mr. Howland. He read the other names which, through the president, were acted upon. These names were: For vice-president, Mrs. W. F. Shepard; secretary, George E. Maker; treasurer, C. M. Willey; directors, James F. Higgins, James Mackay, Clyde W. Perry, Mrs. A. G. Preble, A. B. Lane, William Barclay, A. A. Boyce and Miss Louise Bradley.

Mr. Howland opened the meeting to the people present but no response was made, so he turned the meeting over to Mr. Parker, who has for the past few weeks been addressing the people on this subject. Mr. Parker spoke at length on the work. His comparison of the school and church was inspiring. He prophesied the future of the community house in Barre and showed how the work should grow. He said the work had already begun and cited the cases which were being looked after in the name of the community house project. Mr. Parker spoke then of the things needed in the starting of the work and called for three kinds of subscription: one for the building, one for the doors locked before he went on with the work but found such a keen interest in the work that, as he stated, there was no need.

The ushers were asked to pass slips to the audience, then Mr. Parker called for the subscriptions in order to start the project. First he asked for furniture and then for a subscription of \$1 per month for one year and then asked for a third kind, that being ready money in donations of any denomination up to \$100. Many offerings were made to the three subscriptions called for.

WASHINGTON CO. GETS \$30,783.30 OF SCHOOL MONEY

Cabot Receives the Largest Amount in the County, That Being \$3,097—Barre Receives \$965.38.

The Vermont state treasurer is paying out the school money to the several towns and incorporated school districts in the state. Washington county will receive \$20,783.30, of which Cabot gets the largest amount, \$3,097. Barre City receives \$965.38 and Montpelier \$746.12. The amount received by each town follows:

Table with 2 columns: Town Name, Amount. Includes Barre City (\$965.38), Barre Town (\$1,994.18), Berlin (\$1,524.54), Cabot (\$3,097.00), Dushbury (\$1,681.11), East Montpelier (\$1,159.99), Fayston (\$1,352.15), Marshfield (\$1,895.25), Middlesex (\$966.37), Montpelier (\$746.12), Moretown (\$1,369.90), Northfield (\$2,954.98), North Ferrisburgh (\$329.27), Plainfield (\$1,951.96), Roxbury (\$793.71), Waitsfield (\$2,482.71), Warren (\$1,175.92), Waterbury (\$2,694.42), Woodbury (\$1,105.75), Worcester (\$1,063.44).

SUGAR CARDS GIVEN OUT

But Only 132 Were Called for This Forenoon.

Only 132 sugar cards were passed out this morning by Attorney Robert Scott in the city court room between the hours of 9 a. m. to 12 p. m. With no greater demand than this, it is very evident that the sugar shortage in many families is not as critical in Barre as many would want to believe. A recollection of the last inauguration of the card system brings a picture of a large group of people waiting in line in order to secure one of these cards, and this line did not diminish noticeably for two or three days.

A. G. LaPoint was the first purchaser of a sugar card this morning. These cards, which are sold for five cents, are effective for a year and allow the holder to secure a certain amount of sugar each week for every person in the family of the purchaser, the amount being determined by the large number in the center of the card. Only this specified amount can be secured on the card each week.

FIRE IN BURLINGTON

Loss of \$80,000 Sustained in Warehouse Saturday Night.

Burlington, Nov. 24.—Loss of \$80,000 was sustained Saturday night in a fire which burned out the storehouse of Ferguson & Adsit and A. D. Pease. Several firemen were overcome by smoke and had to be hauled out by their companions. The cause of the fire is not known, but the outbreak coming so soon after the severe loss sustained by the Vermont Hardware Co. a week ago and several smaller fires between them has caused considerable alarm lest there be an incendiary at work.

SAILORS FOUGHT WITH SOLDIERS

The Fracas Took Place on Scollay Square in Boston

EIGHT OF FIFTEEN WERE SENTENCED

Bluejackets from the Ship Florida Had Tried to Rescue Comrade

Boston, Nov. 24.—Eight sailors were sentenced today to six months in jail for rioting as a result of an early morning disturbance in Scollay square, in which the police and state guardsmen battled with a crowd of 600 bluejackets. The trouble started last night when the police frustrated an attempt to rescue a sailor who had been arrested for drunkenness. Several hours later friends of the man with reinforcements from battleships at the navy yards marched into the square where 25 policemen and 100 guardsmen met and routed them with clubs and took eight prisoners.

Judge Michael J. Murray, before whom the sailors were tried, arraigned them severely before pronouncing sentence. He said the evidence showed that they had fought against law and order as represented by the police and guardsmen, and that their act was premeditated.

"The cases were all appealed and the men were ordered held in bonds of \$1,000 each and released on \$500. An officer from the battleship Florida, who represented the ship in court, remarked during the proceedings that if the men were found guilty, the navy would not intercede for them.

ACCIDENTS FREQUENT

Despite the Advance of Winter Weather in Vermont.

In spite of the advancing winter there were many accident reports in the state. The most serious was that of a total of 18, of which the following were in this section: D. R. Staples of Montpelier ran into the automobile of Carrie Holden on Liberty street in Montpelier. The Holden car was coming out of St. Paul street and making a left hand curve. The Staples car turned to the left hand side of the road, resulting in the accident when the Holden car was swung to its own side of the road.

Fred Bacon of Burlington reported that car 2722 ran into his car, no damage being done.

J. B. Goodrich of South Royalton reported that on the road from Bethel to Randolph he was going around a wood team when a little damage occurred to his car by its sliding around.

W. C. Johnson reported that a car sideswiped his last Friday night, and that the driver of the car did not stop; that a little damage was done to his machine. Alfred W. Arnold reported an accident near Bethel and that no damage was done to either car. It is thought that this accident was the same as the one mentioned in the Clifford report. Chasley Charron of Waterford reported that he backed into a Ford truck the 19th but did not give the details other than that a little damage was done to the lights of the truck.

Frank A. Smith of Windsor reported running into a team at East Randolph Nov. 22, with a little damage done to the automobile; the team did not carry lights.

Frank Lanctot and G. E. Woods of St. Johnsbury reported an accident in which the Woods car ran broadside into the Lanctot car, damage being done to both cars.

OLD RESIDENT OF PLAINFIELD

Moses Col