

# WEATHER.

Rain, probably changing to snow this afternoon or tonight; colder, with lowest temperature tonight, by 15 degrees below zero; fair and colder. Temperature for 24 hours ended at 3 p.m. today: Highest, 31, at 2 p.m. yesterday; lowest, 30, at 3 p.m. today.

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## DELEGATES RESUME EFFORTS TO SETTLE SHANTUNG ISSUE

Japanese and Chinese Tackle What Is Now Greatest Problem of Conference.

## OTHER ENVOYS AT WORK ON NAVY TREATY DRAFT

Far East Discussion Given Over to Mines, Ports and Railroad Question.

By G. GOULD LINCOLN.

A tentative agreement on the method of withdrawing Japanese troops from Shantung was reached at a meeting of the Japanese and Chinese delegates today. Some of the details, including the date, have yet to be settled. The delegates meet again this afternoon. The Shantung railway was not under discussion at the morning meeting, although there was some discussion regarding the salt mines.

The heads of delegations today considered the naval limitation treaty and reported progress. They meet again at 3:30 this afternoon. The Shantung problem, which has become a real issue of the Washington conference, even though it is being considered outside of the conference itself, was tackled again today by the Japanese and Chinese delegates.

At the same time, the heads of the delegations of the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan continued with their consideration of the draft of the naval limitation treaty submitted to them by the naval and legal experts.

Seek New Formula.

Although it was said that the Chinese and Japanese delegations would discuss other features of the Shantung problem than the Kiaochow-Tsinaifu railroad today, and would temporarily avoid the railroad question, it was considered likely that efforts would be made to work out some new formula for the railroad settlement which would prove satisfactory. The railroad, of course, is the principal issue in the Shantung settlement. It is the only feature of the Shantung problem which would deal with the matter of the salt and other mines in Shantung, which Japan took from the Germans, and with the use of the port of Tsingtao and Kiaochow bay.

While no official statements have been made regarding the Shantung matter, it is reported that the Chinese delegation is ready to modify its position on the Shantung railroad question that it will accept the proposal for a Japanese loan to pay for the road. The Japanese, however, demand that the offices of traffic managers and chief accountants of the road be filled by Japanese. The Japanese ask, why? particularly in view of the fact that similar offices on the Chinese railroads are held by nationals of the nations when foreign capital owns or controls those roads.

Control Is Vital Issue.

But the question of control of the road is apparently uppermost in the Chinese mind. In Chinese quarters it has been intimated that the Japanese, had they come forward with their proposals weeks ago instead of delaying, an agreement could have been reached more easily. The delay has given the Japanese an opportunity for sentiment in China to solidify against the Japanese plans, it is said.

In the opinion of some of the delegates here, the question of Shantung has grown in importance out of all proportion both in the United States and in China. The fact remains, however, and it is so understood, that unless the Shantung question is settled there will be rough sledding in the Senate of the United States when the treaty dealing with the far east is voted. Limitation comes up for consideration.

Snag in Naval Treaty.

The article of the naval limitation treaty which has caused a momentary check in the proceedings is that relating to the fortifications in the far east. Under this article the status quo of fortifications in the United States, Japan and Great Britain is to be maintained. There has been a question raised as to the geographical scope of this agreement on fortifications. Japan's homeland, like that of the United States and Great Britain, is an island. It would not be affected by the agreement. But there is some question as to just what constitutes the Japanese homeland. It is said, Japan owns a large number of islands, some of them lying far from the main island, and the question is, where is the line to be drawn between the homeland of Japan and her island possessions? The Americans, it is said, have put forward a proposal in regard to this matter and the aircraft carrier called Tokyo for instructions. Until a reply is received from Tokyo, the matter will be held in abeyance. In the meantime, the chief negotiators are proceeding with other articles of the naval treaty.

Much Progress Made.

Much progress was made yesterday afternoon in its consideration, according to reports. One of the matters which is giving rise to discussion, it was indicated, in addition to the fortifications article, is that dealing with the armament of aircraft carriers. An open session of the conference may now be delayed until next week.

It is now pretty definitely understood that the agreements which will be entered into by the conference in regard to the use of submarines and poison gas in the time of war will not be included in the conference, and proper, but will be separate agreements.

A spokesman for the British delegation pointed out that these agreements propose to change international law, and that the acquiescence of other nations is to be asked, and that, therefore, they would not be made until the treaty is signed.

## U. S. Hospitality Called Overwhelming and Wet By Returned Delegate

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AMSTERDAM, Holland, January 11.—Mr. Morone, vice president of the Esay Indian Council, and one of the Dutch delegates to the Washington conference, has returned home and is lecturing on his experiences in the United States. He says that American hospitality is like "water and wine." The Washington conference, he said, was regarded in the United States as a social event, but at the same time the people were taking a keen interest in the important political problems discussed.

Mr. Morone added that in his opinion the limitation of immigration by the United States was a good thing in view of the problem of welding the composite population into a homogeneous whole. Regarding prohibition, he believed that the majority of people would support it. He said that Dutch street boys could take lessons in courteous behavior from their American colleagues.

## SEE TREATY FACING PARTISAN CONTEST

Political Angle Declared Probable in Senate's Reception of 4-Power Pact.

By N. O. MESSENGER.

Politicians in Congress continue to draw their attention drawn to the political angle of the ratification by the Senate of the four-power Pacific pact and there is considerable discussion by and large of the subject. That there should arise a political angle is surprising to many, in view of the generally accepted thought that this agreement in the interest of the peace of the four powers concerned should be outside the realm of party controversy or factional dissension.

President Harding, it has been made known, contemplates sending the Washington conference to the Senate at the same time. He has not decided whether he will merely submit them or lay them before the Senate with a personal presentation of their merits and the merits of ratification. The four-power pact may be taken up first, it is thought.

View of Treaty Surprises.

It is inconceivable to the supporters of the four-power pact that the allegation should be made that the treaty in any way affords such ground for political assault as was furnished by the Versailles treaty and the league of nations. No analogy exists between the two propositions, it is contended.

Those who approve the four-power Pacific pact assert that it is but a friendly co-operation among the signatories to accomplish by friendly means the prevention of resort to hostilities, totally lacking in the international commitments comprised in the Versailles treaty.

Suggestion of "Good Politics."

In some political quarters the suggestion has been advanced that it would be "good politics" for the democrats to attack the four-power pact on the ground that as the republican victory of 1920 was in part due to the fight against the league of nations, the democrats might win by assailing this other international compact.

This argument is not accepted by all the democratic leaders, however. Some of them who realize the essential difference between the two proposals, fear that the proposal would prove a detriment to the republican cause, unless the four-power pact contained the essence of the proposition which was rejected by the republicans in 1920, namely, impaired sovereignty and surrender of cherished rights to an international organization.

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## BRIAND TO DEMAND VOTE BY DEPUTIES ON CANNES POLICY

Will Hurry Home to Meet and Answer Critics in Paris.

## REPARATIONS AND TREATY WITH BRITAIN TARGETS

Memorandum Declares England Makes French Protection Own Problem.

By the Associated Press.

CANNES, January 11.—Premier Briand will leave Cannes for Paris at 3 o'clock this afternoon, it was announced this morning, not only to inform the French cabinet as to the status of the negotiations here, but, it is understood, to meet and answer criticisms of certain groups of the opposition and to demand that the chamber of deputies support or reject him.

The principal differences between the premier and the opposition, it is learned, are with regard to the new terms of payment by Germany adopted by the council's experts, but not yet ratified by the full council. France under these terms would receive less than under previous arrangements, but a greater proportion in kind.

Harvey Back at Sessions.

George Harvey, American ambassador to Great Britain, attended today's session of the allied supreme council meetings, having almost completely recovered from the shock he suffered in an automobile accident on Monday. The members of the council heartily congratulated him on his recovery.

Representatives of the German government today were summoned to appear before the allied reparations commission to explain Germany's inability to meet her January and February reparations payments.

Ordered by Council.

The allied supreme council ordered this hearing as a result of insistence by Premier Briand that the Germans had failed to furnish the information sought by the commission in the Christmas holidays as a preliminary to the ratification of the question of a moratorium for Germany.

Prime Minister Lloyd George and the other members of the council promptly agreed that the Germans should be given the opportunity to explain the commission's demands for explanation before they could be heard by the supreme council.

After the hearing the reparations commission will then refer the matter to the supreme council, which can further consider the matter.

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UP IN THE HOUSE TODAY.

## DAIL RUSHES PLANS FOR NEW ERIN RULE

Leaders Tackle Problem of Carrying Out Terms of Anglo-Irish Treaty.

By the Associated Press.

DUBLIN, January 11.—Measures to be taken toward setting up a new government in Ireland for carrying out the terms of the Anglo-Irish treaty were considered by the cabinet today shortly after noon today in the Mansion House. One of the first moves, it is understood, will be the appointment of a commission to proceed to London and confer with the British government.

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