

## LODGE AND LOWELL DEBATE ON LEAGUE

Large Crowd Hears Speakers  
With Intense Interest.

### TREATY CALLED "POROUS"

Constructive Criticism Offered, Especially Upon Questions of Immigration and Tariffs.

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Introduced the speakers and held the watch. Senator Lodge left off speaking for an hour. He received a noisy reception and was repeatedly interrupted with applause.

#### General Disarmament Desired.

Senator Lodge in opening his argument said that he was not against a league of nations, but was anxious to have the free nations of the world unite to secure peace and bring about a general disarmament. He also denied the charge of inconsistency because of speeches in 1915 and 1916, favoring "in general" a league of nations.

At that time and later, in fact up to the very last, he explained, he was in constant consultation with Colonel Roosevelt.

"Two weeks before his death," he said, "I was with Theodore Roosevelt for some hours, seeing him for two mornings in succession. The draft now before the country was not then before us, but we discussed fully the league of nations in all its bearings."

#### Lodge's Views Indorsed.

"We were in entire agreement. The position that I have taken and now take had his full approval. The line I have followed in the senate and elsewhere was the one he wished to be followed. I do not say this to transfer any responsibility from my shoulders to his. All I say is on my own responsibility alone."

"The question before us," Senator Lodge said, "the only question of a practical nature, is whether the league that has been drafted by the commission of the peace conference and laid before it will tend to secure the peace of the world as it stands and whether it is just as fair to the United States of America."

#### Sanctity of Treaties Vital.

In answer to the charge that there had been no constructive criticism of the league of nations, Senator Lodge exclaimed:

"My first constructive criticism is that this covenant ought to be re-drafted. This is essential, he added, because the sanctity of treaties is vital above all else."

As another criticism, he demanded a definite statement in the covenant of the vote required in the executive council for it to "recommend" or "advise" or "propose" as the case might be. He also declared for a "larger reservation of the Monroe doctrine" the policy, which stands on two facts, geography and human nature, that are neither transient nor ephemeral.

"It must not be within the jurisdiction of the league to determine whether or not a man shall come into the United States," he said.

#### Tariff Meddling Not Tolerated.

"To have other nations meddle with our tariff would run up against our constitution."

"I offer an amendment to exclude questions affecting immigration and the tariff from the purview of the league as a fourth constructive criticism."

As another constructive criticism he called for a provision permitting withdrawal from the league to make unnecessary denunciation or abrogation of the treaty.

In concluding his opening argument Senator Lodge referred to the provision for mandatories with its failure to state "who will select them" for the nations.

Cries of "no," "no," that nearly drowned scattering shouts of "yes" arose when Senator Lodge, in emphasizing the importance of article 19 in the covenant, asked if the American people were willing to send forth "our sons to fight the battles of all the nations of the world."

#### Gravity of Promise Pointed Out.

"That is what is demanded," he added. "And the American people should ponder this soberly before accepting a covenant containing any such stipulation."

"If they are ready to accept it, all right. If the American people are not ready to do that, that article will go out of the treaty. If that league with that article has come in the 20th century, France could not have assisted

this country to win the revolution. If that league had existed in 1898, we could not have intervened and rescued Cuba from the clutches of Spain; we should have brought a war on with all the other nations of the world.

"Perhaps the time has come to do it. I only wish tonight to call your attention to the gravity of that promise, to what it means; that it is morally binding; that there is no escape when a guarantee of that sort is invoked. Think over it well; that is all I ask. Consider it. And remember that we must make no promise, enter into no agreement that we are not going to carry out in letter and spirit without restriction and without deduction."

#### Dr. Lowell Frequently Applauded.

Senator Lodge spoke not quite an hour. As he concluded there was a demonstration which was renewed a moment later when Dr. Lowell was introduced. The latter's remarks drew frequent applause from the audience.

Dr. Lowell laid the premises for his argument by asserting that to be effective a league of nations to prevent war must provide for compulsory arbitration with penalties for the offender that no nation would venture to incur. Punishment should be meted out not by a council of the league, but automatically by the agreed and immediate attitude of the members of the league who had bound themselves to resist aggression. Then he analyzed the proposed covenant to establish, though there were faults in the drafting it offered the minimum essentials of an effective anti-war league.

#### Covenant Acknowledged Defective.

"The covenant of Paris," he said, "is very defective in its drafting. It is easily misunderstood, and has in fact been widely misunderstood. Let us remember that in its present shape it is intended only as a draft subject to correction."

He summarized the provisions of the covenant and concluded that the obligations assumed by the members of the league were "to do, or abstain from definite acts, either continuously, or on the happening of events described; never under the orders, or by direction, of any organ of the league. The members agree to preserve one another's integrity and independence absolutely, not because directed to do so by the league."

"On the other hand," he continued, "the executive council is limited to consultation, and recommendations are under no obligation to accept."

"The only substantial powers that any such body is to possess, beyond making recommendations, are derived from an unanimous decision in an international dispute, contrary to which a nation may not go to war; and from the right to forbid an increase in armaments or to direct the duties of a mandate in case we first agree to the reduction of armaments, or to the assumption of the mandate."

#### Independence Not Sacrificed.

"The fear of a superpowerful body, to which we are asked to sacrifice our independence, is the creation of an overrated imagination. No organ of the league has any authority to give commands to this country that need give us a moment's anxiety."

#### BREWERS START BATTLE

#### COURT RULING ON PER CENT ALCOHOL ALLOWED SOUGHT.

#### Injunction Asked Against Interference With Manufacture of Standardized Beer.

NEW YORK, March 19.—The Joseph Hoffmann Brewing company, bringing a test suit in the interest of the United States Brewers' association, today applied to the federal district court for an injunction restraining the collector of internal revenue and the United States district attorney from beginning any proceedings to interfere with its contemplated production of beer of 24 per cent alcoholic content.

The complaint, signed by Elihu Root and William D. Guthrie of this city and John H. Marchant of New York, asks the court to restrain possible criminal prosecution.

The object of the suit, it is said, is to make the government a party to litigation under the 24th amendment, the revenue department's authority to define intoxicants and to bring about a judicial decision on the brewers' claim that the 24th amendment is a constitutional strength, standardized by the president under the food conservation proclamation effective January 1, 1918, is not intoxicating.

#### BOSTON, March 19.—The Brewers' association of Massachusetts today adopted resolutions recommending that the federal government be required to pay per cent beer. The resolution, it was said, was adopted unanimously by the meeting, which was attended by representatives of 22 breweries.

#### HEIR TO \$5,000,000 SOUGHT

#### Fugitive From Leavenworth Prison Said to Be Wealthy.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 19.—The police department of Kansas City and neighboring cities tonight were assisting in an extended search for Gordon Reed Patterson, a prisoner serving a two-year sentence in the federal disciplinary barracks at Leavenworth, Kan., for desertion, who, according to an announcement by Robert Phelan, chief of detectives here, escaped late yesterday through a pre-arranged plan in which four or more persons were involved.

The participants, the statement said, had been promised money by Patterson, who is reported to have been notified recently that he had fallen heir to an estate of \$5,000,000 at St. Paul through the death of an uncle.

#### LITHUANIA BIDS FOR FOOD

#### America Asked to Furnish Large Amount of Supplies.

NEW YORK, March 19.—Lithuania wants to buy food for its people who are declared to be starving, according to a cable made public here tonight by Vincent Jankus, vice-president of the Lithuanian national council.

"The Lithuanian government wants to buy in America 15,000 tons of wheat, 2000 tons of preserved meats, 2000 tons of condensed milk and 500 tons of fat to be sent via Memel and Libau, if authorized," the message read. "When is transport possible? Payment will be made by American or Lithuanian or Lithuanian by foreign deposit on arrival of goods. Our people are starving."

#### SOCIALISTS TO HOLD MEET

#### Pan-American Gathering Set for April in Montevideo.

MONTVIDEO, March 19.—Announcement was made here today that a pan-American socialist conference will be held in Montevideo in April. The programme includes consideration of the attitude of labor and socialists toward the "Tarna-Arica" problem.

J. H. Mauer, socialist of Pennsylvania, will represent the socialists of the United States.

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## MR. HAWLEY OPPOSES LAND-GRANT POLICY

Failure to Open All Tracts in Oregon Is Protested.

### INDIANS' REQUEST DENIED

Issuance of Permits for Grazing Leases on Warm Springs Reservation Is Declined.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 19.—Representative Hawley has protested against the policy of the interior department in opening part of the agricultural lands of the Oregon and California land grant and failing to open all.

When complaint came in from Roseburg saying that the opening of these lands had been held up in Douglas county, Mr. Hawley took the matter up with the interior department with the result that he found the department to be hesitating because areas opened further south had not been entered. He took the position, however, that the opening of lands in Coos, Jackson, Josephine and Curry counties had nothing to do with opening lands in Douglas county and requested that the opportunity be given to would-be settlers to make their selections from any part of the grant.

He told the department that, in his opinion, haste should be made to make available every possible acre of farming land in the grant for homes for returning soldiers.

The commissioner of Indian affairs has declined to permit grazing leases on land of the Warm Springs Indian reservation already allotted to Indians.

He says that the policy of the department is to encourage the Indians to make the highest possible use of this land themselves by urging them to raise cattle. It is undesirable, he says, that they should be allowed to lease this grazing land because they are then apt to be led into lives of ease by supporting themselves on the rentals.

O. K. Jeffery of Portland, who served in the tank corps and was discharged only a short time ago, has been in Washington the last few days on his way to Mexico City. While here he visited with Roscoe Fawcett, injured aviator and former sporting editor of the Oregonian, who is at Walter Reed hospital.

The reclamation service announces that a report has been received on the Powder Land and Irrigation project near Baker, Or., but that no money is available to start any sort of work. Director Davis told those who inquired about this project that he hopes to consider it in voting the duties of a mandate passes the bill providing \$100,000,000 for homes for returning soldiers.

Sergeant Harry Wilson of Hoquiam, Wash., will be discharged from service overseas, the war department having received a communication of approval from Sergeant Wilson's company commander.

A pressing need for the soldier's services at home.

Captain Albert H. Conner, former speaker of the house of the Idaho legislature and wounded in the battle of the Argonne, will go to Idaho to speak for the victory loan. He has been in Walter Reed hospital, this city, for some time suffering from a wound in the elbow, but expects to be able to leave for Idaho in time for the loan campaign.

Robert Donald McGee of Nampa, Idaho, has been named a first lieutenant, and Charles Emmett Kinnett, also of Nampa, a second alternate to the naval academy at Annapolis by Representative Addison T. Smith.

With reference to the memorial of the Oregon legislature favoring the early establishment of an American merchant marine, the shipping board has written to Representative McArthur of Oregon, saying:

"The shipping board is now vigorously at work upon the problems of adapting to the needs of peace commerce the ships the American people have acquired during the war. A plan of ownership and operation will meet these conditions, together with specific legislation necessary to make this plan effective, are in course of preparation and will be presented to congress at an early date."

The postoffice department has ordered an investigation of the appointment of a postmaster at Nightshade, Or.

Pensions were granted in Oregon as follows: Lucy M. Griswold, Eugene, \$25; Nellie E. Walter, Portland, \$25; Sophie Essig, Dallas, \$12; Florence E. Palmer.

#### CONVENTION PLANS LAID

#### Centralia Women Prepare for Meeting of State Federation.

CENTRALIA, Wash., March 19.—(Special.)—Committees were announced yesterday for the convention of the State Federation of Women's clubs to be held in Centralia from June 17 to 20.

Mrs. P. R. Stahl is general chairman of arrangements, with Mrs. William Christensen and Mrs. F. G. Gilbert as her assistants.

The Baptist church has been secured for holding the convention sessions.

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### COATS—

—The dominating styles in coats, Dolmans, straight line coats, and, if capes can be included in the category of coats, there's no end of fascinating cape styles here. Linings form no small part of the interest in this year's coat and cape models—for the gayest of the gay colors, in plaids, plain tones, stripes and figured designs. Buttons, braid and silk are effectively employed on some and others are strictly plain tailored. Priced \$48.50 to \$185.

### FROCKS—

—There are never lovelier than those we have now for you. Some of the most charming are of Georgette; many with novel touches of bead trimming or embroidery, others in combination with taffeta. There are effective frocks of serge or jersey; models for street wear that are exclusive here and wonderfully smart in their tailored trimness. Such pleasing diversity of color, fabric and style; every taste can be pleased here. Priced \$29.75 to \$125.

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## AIM IS TO REDUCE PRICES

STEEL MEN CONFER WITH INDUSTRIAL BOARD.

Factor of Labor Costs Enter Into Discussion of Proposal to Stabilize Industry.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Initial steps toward bringing about a reduction of prices and stabilization of the basic commodities were taken today at a conference of the representatives of the steel industry, with the department of commerce's recently organized industrial board.

The steel men, headed by E. H. Gary, chairman of the American Iron and Steel Institute, met with the board and later held a separate conference. Another meeting with the board will be held tomorrow.

Members of the board said there was nothing significant in the cancelling of the afternoon conference as it was to be expected that the steel men would need time to discuss among themselves an "entirely new proposition."

It was generally understood that the factor of labor costs entered largely into the discussion by the manufacturers of the board's proposals for stabilization of the industry, and possibly reduction of prices.

The statement issued by the board follows: "After meeting with leaders of the iron and steel industry, representing approximately 90 per cent of the country's production, the industrial board announced this afternoon that

LA GRANDE UNIT EXPECTED  
Hospital Organization Thought to Be En Route Home From France.

LA GRANDE, Or., March 19.—(Special.)—That the La Grande hospital unit of 82 local boys and officers is now en route home a month ahead of schedule time is assumed here from telegraphic dispatches received by the 137th sanitary train is now at sea en route home.

The hospital unit has been with the army of occupation. It left here in January, 1917, and was in the Rainbow division early that fall. Because practically all of the 89 men are from La Grande, preparations are already begun for the greatest celebration Union county has ever seen.

Definite word of the unit will be ascertained upon arrival of the Montana, March 26.

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YAKIMA DOCTOR NAMED.  
YAKIMA, March 19.—Dr. Henry Storgard, deputy city health officer, has been appointed county physician. He

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