

MONROE DOCTRINE IS SAFE, SAYS GREGORY

Affirmation at Peace Conference Held Unnecessary.

ITALIAN CLAIMS PROBLEM

Comment Excited by Premier Orlando's Absence From Conference For Some Days Past.

(By the Associated Press.) PARIS, March 23.—Thomas W. Gregory, former attorney-general of the United States, who is advising the peace conference commission on the league of nations with reference to legal phases of proposed amendments to the covenant, takes the view that it is not necessary to introduce a specific amendment affirming the Monroe doctrine.

He holds that the doctrine is sufficiently protected by the instrument as it stands, but as a matter of expediency he sees no objection to introducing a general provision which would safeguard the doctrine without specifically mentioning it, as specific mention would introduce a controversy over the specific wants of various states.

Previous Drafts Now Pending. Such a proviso has been drawn, but it is not yet known whether it will be incorporated in the covenant will be urged.

It affirms in substance that coercive measures of united powers as provided by the covenant shall not operate against nations of the western hemisphere unless the United States and other western countries shall approve. It is held this would give the United States and the western republics the final word on applying collective force against nations on that hemisphere, and this, in effect, reaffirms the Monroe doctrine.

Going beyond this general declaration, in the view of Mr. Gregory and other legal experts, would introduce wide controversy on an interpretation of the meaning of the word "western." It is expected that consideration of this and other amendments will be continued several days before a final decision is reached.

Italian Question Difficult

Comment has been excited by the absence of Premier Orlando of Italy from conferences held recently by President Wilson and premiers of other countries. It is supposed, however, that he refrained from attending the meetings because the representatives of the other allied countries refused to discuss the settlement of the Austrian-Italian questions privately, knowing well Premier Orlando's position in the matter.

Because it might establish a precedent for Italy to claim the various boundary commissions have been cautious in treating the status of Danzig and Lodz, which involve the right of self-determination. The supreme council yesterday resumed consideration of the western boundary of Poland, and Italian action may influence the decision of the council on that question.

Some Apprehension Felt

When the council of great powers met yesterday it was in an atmosphere of considerable apprehension over Poland, which is the chief subject of discussion. This is not on account of Poland itself, but because of differences which surround the question of fundamental question of nationality to which President Wilson has given his strong approval and also his 13th point, which is to discuss the Polish state with access to the sea.

Plan Considered Faulty

Premier Lloyd George has taken the view that the denationalization of a large body of Germans would cause such discontent as would be likely to bring on another war and it is understood that President Wilson also is not entirely satisfied with the proposal. M. Cambon's committee, therefore, has been asked to revise the plan and this revision is under consideration. The committee, nevertheless, is said to adhere to its organic plan for a wide corridor.

SEARLES WINS AUTO RACE

150 Miles Covered in 2 Hours 7 Minutes 5 Seconds.

De Palma Gives Exhibition, Traveling Five Miles in 3 Minutes 57 4-5 Seconds.

LOS ANGELES, March 23.—Driving 150 miles in 2 hours 7 minutes and 5 seconds, Roscoe Searles won the feature event of the automobile racing programme at the one-mile Ascot speedway here today. Eddie Hearne finished second in 2 hours 7 minutes and 5 seconds, less than 100 yards behind the winner. Eddie Fuller came in third in 2 hours, 7 minutes and 18 seconds, going the entire distance without a stop. Cliff Durant was flagged down in the 143rd lap in fourth position and Omar Foltz was flagged down in the 144th lap in fifth place.

The largest crowd that ever attended an automobile race on the local speedway, estimated at between 40,000 and 50,000, witnessed the event.

Ralph De Palma, with a special 12-cylinder racing automobile, drew a five-lap exhibition, preceding the main event, going the distance in 3 minutes, 57 4-5 seconds.

BLOCKADE DECISION GIVEN

Austria Learns of Action by Associated Powers.

VIENNA, March 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Austrian foreign office has been informed by the Italian armistice commission that the associated powers have decided unanimously to suppress the blockade of Austria and Hungary, says a semi-official dispatch received here from Vienna.

PREMIER OF FRANCE—HIS LATEST PORTRAIT.



PREMIER CLEMENCEAU IS HERE SEEN SEATED AT HIS LIBRARY TABLE IN HIS HOME, THIS BEING HIS LATEST PORTRAIT. THE PREMIER HAS NOW FULLY RECOVERED FROM HIS INJURY.

POLISH PROBLEM PUZZLES

LLOYD GEORGE IS OPPOSED TO GIVING UP DANZIG.

Plan of Commission Said to Affect Altogether About 2,200,000 Subjects of Germany.

BY JAMES M. TUOHY.

(Copyright by the New York World. Published by Arrangement.) PARIS, March 23.—(Special Cable.)—Poland's problem remains unsolved. It is understood that Premier Lloyd George is opposed to giving Danzig to the new Polish state, although the Polish commission unanimously recommended it, and that the premier favors the internationalization of the place or its transformation into a free port.

He also objects to the cession on the ground of self-determination, of which he is an enthusiastic champion. He holds that in the corridor proposed between the Polish frontier and Danzig too many Germans would be under Polish rule. There would be 800,000 of them. The scheme of the corridor would affect altogether about 2,200,000 Germans. The Polish commission was asked to reconsider its report. Having done so, it has presented the same report again.

Danzig serves the most extensive port on the Baltic coast in the world. Lancashire has a big trade with Danzig, and is not unaffected by the new Poland fiscal policy. The difficulty in dealing with the Germans over Poland is that they consider themselves victorious in the east and they have no armistice with Russia to hamper their freedom of movement in that direction. General von Hindenburg's headquarters are at Kolberg, on the Baltic southwest of Danzig, and the Germans undoubtedly appear to be preparing for a move against Poland. They still refuse facilities for the landing of General Haller's Polish divisions at Danzig, and the allies have not yet decided on measures to enforce their will in this direction.

HUNGARY TO DECLARE WAR

(Continued From First Page.) torship of the workers, peasants' and soldiers' councils. The revolutionary government council will begin forthwith work for the realization of communist socialism.

Soviet Alliance Proposed.

"The council decrees the socialization of large estates, mines, big industries, banks and transport lines, declares complete solidarity with the Russian soviet government and offers to contract an armed alliance with the proletariat of Russia."

AMSTERDAM, March 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—When the Hungarian cabinet, headed by Count Karolyi as provisional president, resigned late in the week the governing party, comprising socialists and communists, proclaimed martial law throughout the entire country, according to a dispatch from Budapest. Under the title of "Hungarian Socialist Party" the socialists and communists have combined and will administer the country.

COPENHAGEN, March 23.—A dispatch from Budapest dated Friday said that at that time order was being maintained by the troops and the national guards. The revolutionary government had issued a prohibition against the carrying of arms, making the penalty for disobedience five years' penal servitude and a fine of 50,000 kronen.

Other dispatches announce that order prevails in the country districts around Budapest.

WHEAT PROBLEM AT ISSUE

HANDLING OF 1920 CROP TOPIC AT MILLERS' MEETING.

Payment of One Cent a Bushel Per Month by Government to Growers Until January 1 Urged.

ST. LOUIS, March 23.—Payment of 1 cent per bushel a month by the government to the farmers until January, 1920, for each bushel of wheat held in storage on their farms, and a distribution of the purchase of the 1919 crop for exportation among the states according to their production, were suggested as a means of solving the problem of handling the 1,500,000,000-bushel crop expected this year, in a resolution adopted at a conference of 50 millers, representing 13 states, here yesterday.

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VILLA MANIFESTO ISSUED

PLANS TO CONQUER NORTHERN MEXICO ALL LAID.

Old Rebel Generals Called Upon to Rejoin in Fight for "Liberty, Bread and Justice."

EL PASO, Tex., March 23.—Francisco Villa had laid plans for the conquest of northern Mexico from the Carranza government, which miscarried when Felipe Angeles' staff officers were arrested here recently and Martin Lopez' ammunition smuggling band was defeated by the federals near La Ascension.

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The entente mission declared that it intends to regard the demarcation line as the political frontier. The aim of further occupation of the country is manifestly to make Hungary the jumping-off ground and the region of operations against the Russian soviet army, which is fighting on our frontier. The land evacuated by us, however, is to be the pay of the Czech troops by means of whom the Russian soviet army is to be overcome.

"As provisional president of the Hungarian people's republic, I turn, as against the Paris peace conference, to the proletariat of the world for justice and support." Count Michael Karolyi, the Hungarian provisional president, and his cabinet resigned the latter part of last week after many vicissitudes, including a reign of terror throughout the country on the part of plundering bolshevik gangs. The disorders necessitated the occupation of the greater part of Hungary with the exception of Budapest and the outlying districts by allied troops, according to reports.

SIX COMPANIES OF 91st SAIL

ORÉGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 23.—(Special.)—The headquarters company and companies E, D, K, L and M of the 36th infantry, 91st division, called from France on the transport Liberator March 19, Senator Chamberlain's office was advised yesterday.

Wool Sells for 34 Cents.

YAKIMA, Wash., March 23.—Ernest Berg yesterday sold 45,000 pounds of wool for 34 cents per pound. It was the first sale of the season and may establish the market for Yakima wool.

Season's sawwood and inside wood, green stamps, for cash. Holman Fuel Mfg. Co. 743 A 2135—Adv.

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REACTIONARY PRESS BITTER AT LEADERS

Le Journal of Paris Confuses Premier's Remarks.

FUTURE YET IN BALANCE

Plan to Include League of Nations in Preliminary Peace Terms Provokes Discussion.

BY JAMES M. TUOHY.

(Copyright by the New York World. Published by Arrangement.) PARIS, March 23.—(Special Cable.)—Premier Lloyd George had a conference with the British press yesterday, and today's Le Journal caused some excitement by saying that in the course of the conference the British premier announced that "the league of nations plan will not be incorporated in the preliminary terms of peace, which are now in preparation."

The correspondent of the world learns that Premier George did not say exactly that. He said the question of including the league plan in the preliminary terms had not yet been decided, and further, that it had not been discussed either by the British delegation or by the council of ten.

When reminded of Lord Robert Cecil's clear statement to the newspaper men last Tuesday evening that the league charter was essential to peace preliminaries, and that one could not become operative without the other, Premier George repeated that the British plan would not be included in the preliminary terms.

Everybody has known all along that the matter of the inclusion of the league plan in the preliminary terms has not been discussed by the council of ten, as no communication has ever mentioned it. Everybody knows equally well that the matter was discussed at a meeting of Premiers George and Clemenceau who decided that the league plan should be included in the terms.

On the strength of that decision Lord Robert Cecil spoke, Colonel House has spoken in the same sense. Everybody is allowed to make for the peculiar parliamentary situation which Premier George faces at home. He relies for support on the reactionary majority who are opposed to the league and to every other progressive measure.

Newspaper organs of this reactionary majority have been attacking President Wilson, notably the Morning Post, the Daily Express and the Globe, in the last week, on the proposal to embrace the league plan in the preliminaries.

Lord Robert Cecil's statement provoked specially vehement protests from these newspapers and now the premier is endeavoring to soften their fall and to placate them with vague suggestions that they have been right without committing himself directly on the point.

Of course, there is no doubt about the programme to embody the league plan in the peace terms. The Paris anti-league press was considerably heartened by the misleading report of the premier's declaration through the French writers show some glimmering of fear that their interpretation may not be true.

PROBE TO BE HASTENED

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The only escape was to have the government take them over, Burleson critics say, and, accordingly, the executive heads of the two big systems appealed to the postmaster-general. He took over their lines, put the government's resources behind them and raised their rates, thus pulling them out of the hole, and made President Carlton of the Western Union Telegraph company head of all of the wire systems, including the Postal Telegraph.

COUPLE WEDDED 50 YEARS

Anniversary Celebrated at Home Site of Marriage.

EUGENE, Or., March 23.—(Special.)—Married on the site of their present home five miles north of Eugene on March 23, 1869, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Ayres on Saturday celebrated their golden wedding. They have lived continuously on the farm where the ceremony was performed 50 years ago.

Mr. Ayres came to Oregon in 1864 from Iowa, his wife having preceded him with her relatives 14 years earlier. From a small beginning Mr. Ayres became one of the most prosperous ranchers of Lane county.

The four living children of the venerable couple were among those present at the celebration. They are Ed L. Ayres, Junction City; Mrs. George P. Saunders, Mrs. H. S. Cox and W. A. Ayres, all of Eugene.

Studebaker advertisement featuring a car image and text: "This is America's most popular LIGHT-SIX. One look—one ride in this model will convince you. All we ask is that you compare values. If you are looking for the highest grade LIGHT-SIX on the market—here it is." Includes prices for Light-Four, Light-Six, and Seven-Passenger Six models.

Pillars of Strength advertisement for The United States National Bank. Text: "Don't you want to put by a part of your savings? Do it, and you will be rearing an edifice that will shield you and yours in the years ahead. Begin today—tomorrow never comes. Resources Over \$30,000,000. Portland's Bank for Foreign Trade."

Continuation of text from the Pillars of Strength advertisement, mentioning Mr. Ayres and his family.

GILBERT SAYS advertisement: "My carrots and potatoes were fine last year, so I started my victory garden this morning."

Come Today advertisement for Harold S. Gilbert pianos. Text: "If you want a standard make; a Portland guarantee; a used piano properly repaired; to help me make a greater Portland; to get the most for your money; to be satisfied. Some of these things I give, you can't get at any other piano store in Portland."

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Advertisement for the Bellevue Hotel in San Francisco. Text: "NORTHWEST HEADQUARTERS SAN FRANCISCO. BELLEVUE HOTEL. Rooms With Bath \$2 Per Day Upward. Under management of AL LUNDBORG (Formerly Manager of Hotel Benson, Portland, Oregon)."

Advertisement for Eat HOLSUM Bread. Text: "Eat HOLSUM Bread. Best Flavored Perfectly Baked. Oregon Motor Car Co. Broadway at Burnside."