



REVISED COVENANT IS PROMISED SOON

Monroe Doctrine Is Not Touched in Draft.

ISSUE NEXT WEEK EXPECTED

Japanese Proposal for Recognition Not Included.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE CARRIES

Policy Regarding Withdrawal From League Settled by Amendment Giving Two Years' Notice.

PARIS, March 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—Containing neither any reference to the Monroe doctrine nor to the Japanese proposal for recognition of the racial equality of nations, the revised covenant of the league of nations today is in the hands of the special drafting committee.

The draft was completed Wednesday night at a sitting of the full commission and the covenant is expected to be ready in completed form early next week. The two amendments around which has centered the greatest interest and most divergence of opinion, however, may be offered either in the council of ten or to the plenary peace conference, to which the covenant must go for final action.

Woman Suffrage Recognized. Among other amendments adopted Wednesday was one directly recognizing the principle of woman suffrage in that it provides that the offices of the league are open to women as well as to men.

Careful Soundings Taken. Careful soundings are being taken to ascertain the reception that is likely to be given this amendment by other delegations. If unfriendly sentiment develops or the pressing of other and obnoxious amendments is threatened as a consequence of insistence upon the Monroe doctrine, it is said, the amendment may be altogether withheld.

It has been learned that thus far the result of three inquiries has not been wholly encouraging to the advocates of the amendment, but that they will be continued until the attitude of all the delegations is ascertained. Since the first mention of the desire of the Japanese to secure an amendment recognizing equality before the law for all nationals of the league of nations states in other countries, the Japanese delegates have not pressed their amendment before the commission itself.

COAL PRICE DISPUTE LAID TO GOVERNMENT

CO-OPERATION HELD NEEDED IN MAKING SETTLEMENT.

National Association Refuses to Resume Conferences Pending Administration Aid.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Charging the railroad administration with "unfair practices" in the purchase of coal, the National Coal association, in a statement tonight, said the coal operators would be unable to agree with the department of commerce's industrial board on price adjustments without the co-operation of the administration.

Bituminous coal operators of the country, through the National Coal association, announced today that they would not resume conferences with the industrial board of the department of commerce with a view to readjusting coal prices until the "co-operation and support of the railroad administration and other government departments buying coal had been secured."

STICKERS GET BLUE CARD

Men Active in Recent Walkout Discharged by Mills.

PASSAIC, N. J., March 27.—Five woolen mills announced today they had discharged all their workers who returned yesterday and today, after a strike between 10,000 and 12,000 men and women. They had returned to work Tuesday after having been on strike seven weeks.

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HUN PLOT AGAINST AUSTRIA IS BARED

Kaiser Is Shown to Have Feared Hapsburgs.

SECRET DOCUMENTS FOUND

Archduke, Shot at Sarajevo, Deemed Lock to Berlin.

HATE FOR U. S. IS EXPOSED

German Emperor in 1906 Declared "All Europe Must Unite Economically Against America."

NEW YORK, March 27.—George Creel, former chairman of the committee on public information, made public here tonight a summary of the secret correspondence of Count Czernin late foreign minister of Austria-Hungary, which was turned over to Edgar Sisson at Prague by the official custodian of the Bohemian government on January 24 last.

One of the most sensational of the disclosures was that there was a German-Magyar conspiracy against the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir apparent to the throne of Austria, who was assassinated at Sarajevo, June 28, 1914, because he was considered a rival of the then Emperor William.

Mr. Creel said Mr. Sisson accepted the privilege of using the correspondence in behalf of the United States government. Translators and a photographer in the service of the committee on public information were set at work to translate the documents for general publication in this country as the final public contribution of the committee, according to Creel. He declared one copy was to be turned over to Secretary of State Lansing for use of the peace conference commission investigating responsibility for the outbreak of the war, while another was to be sent to the committee at Washington for release to the press.

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PACIFIC COAST MEN FAIL ON AGREEMENT

SHIPBUILDERS AND UNION DELEGATES DEADLOCKED.

Atlantic and Gulf Owners and Labor Representatives Open Conference in Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Pacific coast shipbuilders and delegates of the metal trades unions failed again today to reach any decision on a proposal that union men should be given preference in employment under the new working agreement now being formulated. While the Pacific coast men were in conference, Atlantic and Gulf shipyard owners and metal trades delegates opened a conference also with the view of adopting a new agreement.

ARMY RATION IS INCREASED

Americans to Get Corn, String Beans, Pumpkins and Squash.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—American soldiers, already regarded as the best fed fighting men in the world, are to be furnished with an even more diversified menu. Announcement was made today that upon the recommendation of Major-General Rogers, quartermaster general, Secretary Baker had authorized the issuing as a part of the army ration after April 1 canned corn, peas, string beans, pumpkins and squash.

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BIG ROAD-BUILDING PROJECTS SETTLED

State and Forestry Officials Reach Agreement.

WORK TO START AT ONCE

Mount Hood Loop Route to Be Finished in Two Years.

EXPENSE WILL BE SHARED

Numerous Other Highway Projects Agreed On and Contracts Are Let for Considerable Work.

Work will start on the Mount Hood loop as quickly as possible and the project will be completed in two years within the forest reserve. This was one of the various matters determined yesterday at a conference between the state highway commission and Dr. L. I. Hewes and George H. Cecil representing the federal government. There are 32.5 miles within the forest and the road will be 16 feet wide, of dirt, and cost \$514,000. This cost will be divided equally between the government and the state.

Practically all of the projects agreed on yesterday had been tentatively set a year ago by the commission and government officials, but since then estimates have had to be revised and the costs have increased from 50 to 100 per cent in many instances. Now the government has its money available and is anxious that road work start, and these forest projects will be under way within a few months. There are many post road projects under consideration which will be taken up in April.

Many Projects Arranged. As a result of the agreement yesterday, the following "post road" projects, on the co-operative basis, were settled: Mackenzie Pass, 52.8 miles, costing \$355,000. Of this sum Lane county is to pay \$15,000 and Deschutes county \$10,000, with the state and government each contributing \$177,000. Immediate construction of 15 miles of grading will be done this year.

Medford-Klamath Falls (Anna creek section), 3.5 miles, grading, to cost \$10,000. Bids will be opened in April. Medford-Klamath Falls (Jackson county), on the Crater Lake road, 22 miles of grading to be done from Prospect to the boundary of the national forest, where the road will connect with the road in the park to the lake. The job is estimated at \$257,000, with Jackson county to pay \$230,000 and the state and forestry department \$27,000.

DRAGON-FLY SYMBOL USED BY BOLSHEVIKI

SIGN OF REDS FLAUNTED AT HEADQUARTERS IN SEATTLE.

King-Street Building Employed as School for Teaching Anarchistic Beliefs, It Is Alleged.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 27.—In a store room at 1041 King street, on a window of which is painted in bold design a dragon fly, Russian men, women and children have been going for several months to an alleged bolshevik school founded by Paul Mellinkoff, under arrest at San Francisco in connection with the recent Oakland, Cal., bomb outrage. Further alleged activities of Mellinkoff, said by government officials who have kept track of his movements here to be head of the Russian bolshevik movement in the Pacific northwest, were disclosed today.

JUBILEE MAY 1 INDORSED

Governors of 12 States Favor Franco-American Celebration.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Governors of 12 states—Arizona, Colorado, Ohio, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Oregon, Rhode Island, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming—have thus far endorsed the plan for a nation-wide Franco-American celebration May 1 by the school children of the United States "to establish a foundation of friendship between the growing generations of the two republics."

HUN PLANES TO BEAR FOOD

Big Bombers to Be Used by French to Carry Three Tons of Parcels.

PARIS, March 27.—(French wireless.)—German bombing airplanes of the Friedrichshafen type, which were surrendered under a clause of the armistice, will be used by the department of civilian aviation in transporting foodstuffs between Paris and Bordeaux.

MORE CREDIT GIVEN FRANCE

Total Loans for All Allies Now Reaches Sum of \$9,936,269,000. WASHINGTON, March 27.—France was given a credit of \$10,000,000 by the treasury today and Greece was given \$3,358,000 additional.

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LOWER COLUMBIA CLAIMS HELD JUST

Tongue Point of Interest to Naval Committee.

FUTURE POSSIBILITIES SEEN

Portland's Argument for Naval Base Presented.

ASTORIA DINES VISITORS

Luncheon and Visit to Gearhart, Seaside and Fort Stevens Features of First Day.

By EEN HUR LAMPMAN. ASTORIA, Or., March 27.—(Special.)—Of solid rock, stretching into the harbor just above the city, Tongue point commanded the interest of the house committee on naval affairs at noon today, when their train carried them past it. For it is on Tongue point that the Heim commission recommended the establishment of a naval base for submarines and seaplanes and it is there that Astoria stoutly hopes will be established an even greater project of coast defense, a full-fledged naval base of the first order.

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"This trip has been a revelation to me," he continued. "I had no notion of the vastness of the river or the territory down this way. You say that you have developed in the great basin that follows the Columbia. I do not think so. Time will come when you will grow ten bushels of grain for every one you raise now."

WELCOME GIVEN COMMISSION

"Certainly, we are going to present arguments and data in support of our request that the entrance of the Columbia be made a major base," said E. F. Stone, president of the Astoria Port commission. No inspection of the proposed naval base site was made today.

PORTLAND MEN IN PARTY

Members of the party which will return to Portland Friday night are: Representatives Lemuel H. Padgett, Fred A. Britten, Frederick C. Hicks, William B. Oliver, Carl Vinson, William J. Browning and C. N. McArthur. Representative Riordan was unable to accompany the party owing to injuries received in a motoring accident two weeks ago and remained in Portland.

PADGETT SUMMONED HOME

An urgent message today summoned Representative Padgett, chairman of the congressional committee, to his home at Columbia, Tenn., where his son, William Padgett, is critically ill with influenza. The young man is clerk of the naval affairs committee. Representative Padgett left tonight on the transcontinental trip, accompanied by many expressions of regret and sympathy.

AFTER VIEWING THE TONGUE POINT SITE

tomorrow morning the visitors will spend the afternoon on the steamer Manzanita, making a trip to the harbor entrance and viewing the bar and Jetty. They will board the train for Portland at 6:10 tomorrow afternoon, arriving at 10:30. Saturday will be spent in Portland, the trip being resumed to Puget sound early the following morning. Portland's share in the argument for