

WILSON PROVOKES SENATE TO DEBATE

Idea Prevails That President Must Await Ratification.

LEAGUE AGAIN DEFENDED

Shantung Settlement Also Gets Before Members and Misrepresentation of Facts Is Charged.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—While the senate was listening to more debate on the peace treaty today, the foreign relations committee turned its attention to the problem of provisional American representation, pending senate action on the treaty.

President Wilson raised the point in a letter to Chairman Lodge asking the committee's approval for appointment of a representative on the reparations commission, which is to have wide powers in fixing the amount and method of collection of Germany's reparations bill. Such representation, the president wrote, was highly important to American business interests.

Committee Declared Helpless. After an hour's discussion, during which Chairman Lodge and others objected that the committee had no power to give such assent prior to the treaty's ratification, it was decided to postpone a decision until tomorrow.

Senator Republican, Pennsylvania, proposed the committee declare that neither it nor the president could carry out any treaty provisions while the treaty was pending.

It is understood in official circles that President Wilson intends to appoint Bernard M. Baruch of New York as the American representative on the reparations commission.

Part of Treaty Written. During the war Mr. Baruch was chairman of the war industries board and he aided at Paris in working out the reparations and economic clauses of the treaty.

The president's letter to Chairman Lodge follows: "My Dear Senator: There are some things in connection with the execution of the treaty which I cannot so readily await the action of the several governments, which must act with regard to the ratification of the treaty, and the chief of these is the functioning of the reparations commission. It is of such importance to the business interests of the United States, as well as to the nations with which we are associated, that the United States should be represented in the work of the commission in taking shape that I am taking the liberty of writing to ask if you will be kind enough to consult the committee on foreign relations with regard to the particular appointment and say to them that I would much appreciate their approval of my appointing provisionally a representative of the United States to act upon the reparations commission.

"Very sincerely yours, "WOODROW WILSON."

League of Nations Argued. The league of nations occupied most of the time during the debate. Senators Pomerene, Ohio, and Harrison, Mississippi, both democrats, urging its acceptance. Senator Pomerene analyzed the covenant in a constitutional argument and declared quick acceptance of the treaty was the only course consistent with the nation's responsibilities to the world.

Senator Harrison bitterly attacked republican leaders opposing the treaty, declaring their opposition really was based on a selfish and anti-national antagonism to President Wilson.

Mr. McNary Speaks Today. During the day the Shantung settlement was the subject of debate. Senator McNary, democrat, Mississippi, charging that opposition senators had misrepresented the facts in the case, and that the settlement was a fair one.

Tomorrow prepared speeches on the treaty are to be made by Senators McNary, Oregon, and Moses, New Hampshire, republicans, and Beckham, Kentucky, and Johnson, South Dakota, democrats.

Senators Calder, New York; Cummings, Iowa; Edge, New Jersey, and Norris, Nebraska, who are the republicans who have been invited to confer with President Wilson on the treaty. When Mr. Wilson's physical condition is better, however, the engagements were provisionally set over until tomorrow.

BLISS' LETTER NOT PROTEST. Shantung Advice Given Before Action Was Taken by Conference.

PARIS, July 21.—The letter signed by Secretary of State Lansing, Henry White and General Tasker H. Bliss of the American peace delegation, advising against the turning of Shantung over to Japan, was submitted before the signers had knowledge that any decision had been made as to the disposition of Shantung, it is declared in authority. The letter was therefore not regarded by them as a protest.

The letter, it is added, was written in reply to a request from President Wilson for an opinion on the question from these delegates.

COUNTY BAR INVESTIGATES. State Body Aided in George A. Hall and John N. Stevers' Case.

The Multnomah Bar Association is offering every assistance possible to the state bar association in the investigation of attorneys George A. Hall and John N. Stevers, against whom disbarment proceedings may soon be filed as the result of their recent conviction of unprofessional conduct in the Mrs. Parmella L. Tyler case, said Attorney Barge E. Leonard, president of the Multnomah Bar Association, yesterday. This was in answer to critics who had asked through the press why the local body had done nothing in the matter.

The state association is the logical one to start disbarment proceedings and had begun an investigation which was suspended during the pendency of the recovery suit of Mrs. Tyler against the attorneys who had defrauded her of more than \$21,000.

VICTORY BUTTONS RECEIVED. More Bronze and Silver Medals to Be Awarded to Soldiers.

Five thousand bronze victory buttons and 250 silver buttons for distribution to men wounded in the service will be on hand today at the army recruiting station and all men who are entitled to the buttons are being urged by the recruiting officers to call at the re-

AMERICAN-BORN CHILDREN GOING TO ITALY WITH PARENTS.



Some of the American-born children of Italian parents who are leaving for Italy on the S. S. "Re de Italia," with the money they earned and saved in this country. The exodus of foreigners is now the greatest in the nation's history.

cruting station with their discharge papers and secure them. The silver buttons arrived yesterday and the bronze buttons have been shipped and will be received at the station today, according to word received yesterday.

In the voting at the recruiting office yesterday national prohibition suffered a setback, when 12 more soldiers voted against the measure than favored it. The day's vote was 42 against and 29 for. Balloting on other questions of the day was as follows: Universal military service, 49 for and 15 against; death for the former kaiser 28, exile 25; liberty 5; for league of nations 42, against 11; for woman suffrage 32, against 25.

REAR-ADMIRAL TO RETIRE. William P. Fullam to Be Relieved on August 1.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 21.—Rear-Admiral William P. Fullam, commander of division two of the Pacific fleet and commander-in-chief of naval forces on the west coast, during the war, announced here today that he will be relieved from duty with the fleet August 1, and be retired from active service October 28.

With the arrival of the newly organized Pacific fleet under Admiral Rodman, the present organization will be dissolved by absorption into the new force.

Rear-Admiral Fullam, called to the east by business, will not be present upon the arrival of the new fleet.

LABOR JOINS VETERAN FETE. Vancouver Council Plans Parade and Dance for Celebration.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 21.—(Special.)—As a part of the welcome home celebration for returned soldiers which is to be put on in this city by the War Camp Community Service, granges and other organizations, the Central Labor council has announced a programme for labor day, consisting of a parade, athletic contests and games in the park and a street dance at night.

In addition to the plans being made by the labor unions and the Welcome Home association, the Primaries, a local organization of business men, are planning a prize festival, which is to be an annual affair.

"PEEVY" AT WAR TAX COSTS. Man Curses President, Forfeits \$25 Bail Following Arrest.

F. A. Cleland, charged with cursing President Wilson because of the war on a package of candy, forfeited \$25 bail yesterday and failed to appear for trial in municipal court. No effort will be made to rearrest him.

Patrolmen Morris and Abbott reported hearing Mr. Cleland calling the president names. According to their story, Mr. Cleland, who said he was from Baltimore, Md., purchased a package of candy and demurred at paying war tax, but finally paid it and left the store. He was arrested when he reached the sidewalk.

WOMEN'S MARKET OPENED. Seattle Housewives Take Rap at Cost of Living.

SEATTLE, July 21.—Having as its object a knock against high prices of foodstuffs, a public market, established by a league of local housekeepers, was opened here today.

Especially fresh fruit, were sold at much lower prices than prevailed at other public markets. The market was operated by a volunteer force of women.

BRITISH ACT ON TREATY. House of Commons Unanimous on Second Reading.

LONDON, July 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—The house of commons tonight unanimously passed the second reading of the peace treaty.

S. & W. green stamps for cash. Holman Fuel Co., Main 353, A 353. Block wood, short sawwood, Rock Springs and Utah coal; sawdust.—Adv.

SYRIAN MASSES ARE HOSTILE TO FRANCE

Secret Treaty Declared to Be Bitterly Opposed.

GRAVE TROUBLES FORESEEN

Religious War Held Likely in Event Some Peace Conference Proposals Are Carried Out.

BY WILLIAM T. ELLIS. (Copyright by the New York Herald Company. Published by Arrangement with DAMASCUS via Cairo.—The world will one day awake to the existence of a grave situation here, a situation that is more serious than that in the Adriatic and which, in certain respects, is not unlike that in Fiume, was the statement made to me today by an American official who recently returned here from Paris.

"The peace conference is entirely unaware of the situation in this country," he said. "It is moving calmly on its way, apportioning territory among the old and new powers without reckoning on militant local sentiment. "Nobody in Paris with whom I talked had any conception of the unanimity of the opposition of the Syrians and natives in Syria and Palestine to the political Zionists. It is simply impossible to turn Palestine over to the Jews without precipitating a great massacre. Masses Opposed to France.

"Likewise the world outside Syria and Palestine believes that the secret treaty giving Syria to France meets local approval. My judgment is that it would be impossible to carry out this agreement except at the cost of a religious war and continual fighting. The clergy and the adherents of the Roman Catholic church are France's only supporters in Syria. The mass of the population—Moslem and non-Catholic—is bitterly opposed to France.

"Should the peace conference allot Syria to France, reprisals by the Moslem majority would quickly extend to the Christians. "All people here take seriously the promises of the league of nations, contained in the covenant, that the wishes of the people shall be consulted in the making of mandates. The people here are resolved that they will not be turned over to either the Jews or to France. Only the censorship of the full truth of the situation here from being known to the people of America and Europe."

Propagandists Work Overtone. Propagandists are working overtime and at present are directing their efforts toward discrediting the American commissioners, Henry C. King and C. R. Crane, who are investigating certain industrial questions here. It has been openly declared that this commission does not represent the peace conference, and came here only as a camouflage to try to "save President Wilson's face," since France and Great Britain are determined to stick by their bargain.

Another report, quite false, quotes one of the commissioners as saying that Britain refused to accept the mandate here.

Another propaganda move urges the natives to support France, since the only anti-Jewish nation would be sure to suppress Zionism.

Still another report is to the effect that the British are to receive the Holy Land by the appearance here of Mr. King and Mr. Crane, who were named by the peace conference to study conditions in Syria and Palestine. The cities were placarded before these commissioners visited the country, calling on the people to prepare their claims for presentation to them. The excitement was intense and widespread, since the whole future of the land was at stake.

Every utterance, every word of the commissioners was looked for eagerly and an importance attached to what they said such as these plain-speaking Americans never intended should be conveyed.

This a remark reported made at Jaffa by one of the commissioners started a panic report that America would not accept any mandate. This at once disheartened the people, who still count on America as the only solution of this critical international situation.

Native Tendencies Shown. Native tendencies are well defined. They are: 1. The independence of undivided Syria, including Palestine. 2. Opposition to the French. 3. An American or British mandate. 4. Protection from Zionism and Jewish immigration.

This last issue is a serious one here. One objection to a British mandate is the promise of Arthur J. Balfour, British foreign minister, to the Zionists. Doubts were cast upon the mandate somewhat a compromise will be reached permitting a realization of the aspirations of the moderate Jews.

It is clear to all competent observers here that the situation in Palestine and Syria is a grave one.

Legion Praised by Wilson. Inspiration for High and Difficult Duties Is President's View.

NEW YORK, July 21.—The American Legion will also be an inspiration to full performance of high and difficult duties, declared President Wilson in a letter received yesterday by the organization for publication in its weekly.

"I am happy to have this opportunity to address a word of greeting and comradeship to the men who have served in the army, navy and marine corps and are now landing themselves together to preserve the splendid traditions of that service," wrote the president. "I have had a chance to see these men on land and on sea, at home and abroad. The spirit of their service was as splendid as its success and the continuation of that spirit in the American Legion will make it always an inspiration to the full performance of high and difficult duties."

FIFTH DIVISION MEN HOME. Transport Agamemnon Arrives in Port With Troops.

NEW YORK, July 21.—The transport Agamemnon arriving today from Brest brought home another contingent of the fifth (regular) division, including the division headquarters, division headquarters troops and the headquarters of the fifth field artillery brigade. Other units were the fifth ammunition train, the fifth sanitary train and the fifth supply train, together with the 20th field artillery complete.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—The third division has received orders to return home, the war department was advised today officially. This leaves only one division, the first, comprising the American forces on the Rhine, that has not received orders for home.

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Syria is likely to develop into an armed conflict if the peace conference decides wrongly in connection with the mandate for these lands.

street railways was taken up by the federal electric railways commission today in connection with its inquiry into the street-railway question.

L. R. Nash of Stone & Webster testified that most of the experiments in service-at-cost operation had been successful, the elements used to determine charges to the public being operating expenses, material for maintenance and placement, taxes and return on investment made up of actual interest and sinking-fund requirements, with a minimum assured return upon remaining capital with possibly special rewards for efficiency.

W. C. Cullins and Walter A. Draper of Cincinnati said service-at-cost operation in that city had been successful and expressed a belief the public was satisfied. The ticket fare is 4 1/2 cents and cash fare 7 cents.

Americans Leave for Omsk. VLADIVOSTOK, Friday, July 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Major-General William S. Graves, commander of the American expeditionary forces in Siberia, and Roland B. Morris, American Ambassador to Japan, left this morning on a special train for Omsk. Ambassador Morris arrived here yesterday.

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HOP CROPS CONTRACTED. Eugene Agent for Salem Company Obtains 80,000 Pounds.

EUGENE, Or., July 21.—(Special.)—Eighty thousand pounds of early Fuggie hops grown in the vicinity of Harrisburg have been contracted for by Frank Heyer of this city, agent for T. A. Liversley & Co. of Salem, in each case the contract price being 50 cents a pound. These are in addition to the 8000 pounds contracted for by Mr. Heyer from Hammit Bros. of Mohawk.

Hops in the upper valley are all in good condition, says Mr. Heyer, the late rains in the spring having advanced the growth.

SERVICE AT COST IS LIKED. Street Car Charge Investigation Resumed at Washington.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—The service-at-cost plan for the operation of

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