

TEN RESERVATIONS ADOPTED BY SENATE

Shantung, Monroe Doctrine, Economic Boycott Included.

LID ON DEBATE CLOSED

Majorities on Changes Range From 11 to 29; Nine Democrats Vote for Proposals.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—At last, the lid on its peace treaty debate, the senate substituted action for discussion today with a vigor that quickly advanced the ratification fight into its final stages.

Working under closure for the first time in history, the senate adopted in five hours 10 more of the reservations written by the foreign relations committee and with only two amendments remaining, set the parliamentary stage for a decision or a deadlock on the treaty early next week.

Republican and democratic leaders worked together to invoke closure, pulling up a majority which far exceeded the two-thirds necessary for adoption. In the count of 78 to 16 the two parties contributed about evenly.

The recall over, however, and closure a fact, the republicans managed to keep complete silence and swept everything before them. Reservations after reservation went through just as it came from the committee, until the democrats apparently abandoned hope of making modifications and resigned themselves to a passive resistance.

Republicans Vote Solidly. Majorities ranging from 11 to 29 marked the adoption of the ten reservations. They related to domestic questions, the Monroe doctrine, munitions, Shantung, international commissions, expenses of the league of nations, armaments, the economic boycott and alien property rights. In every case except one the republicans voted solidly for the committee proposals. They were joined on every roll call by 10 democrats and nine republicans. In all, an even dozen senators of the administration party broke away during the day to vote for reservations. The sole defection from the republican ranks was on the Shantung reservation, Senator McCumber of Dakota swinging over to the opposition.

Not the least significant of the day's developments, the senate took preliminary action before final action on the treaty is reached, was a ruling by Vice-President Marshall just preceding the closure vote. He held that should the administration senators vote down the treaty with reservations, as they intend to do, they will have an opportunity later to get action on a compromise ratification reservation.

To that decision the republican leaders took exception, serving notice that when the issue developed they would appeal to the senate itself to settle the question. A pliant majority cut over to the republican side and the republicans were asserting tonight that they still would hold the whip hand to precipitate a second vote on ratification. They told their democratic colleagues that if they voted against qualified acceptance of the treaty then the treaty will be dead.

Commissions Provided For. "The congress of the United States will provide by law for the appointment of the representatives of the United States in the assembly and the council of the league of nations and may in its discretion provide for the participation of the United States in any commission, committee, tribunal, court, council or conference, or in the selection of any members thereof and for the appointment of members of said commissions, committees, tribunals, courts, councils or conferences, or any other representatives under the treaty of peace, or in carrying out its provisions, and until such participation and appointment have been so provided for and the powers and duties of such representatives have been defined by law, no person shall represent the United States under either said league of nations or the treaty of peace with Germany, or be authorized to perform any act for or on behalf of the United States thereunder, and no citizen of the United States shall be selected or appointed as a member of said commissions, committees, tribunals, courts, councils or conferences, except with the approval of the senate of the United States."

The vote on the reservation regarding American export control was 64 to 40 with five democrats—Gore, Reed, Shields, Smith of Georgia, Thomas and Walsh of Massachusetts—supporting the republicans.

League Expenses Considered. The next reservation, relating to expenses of the league of nations, also was adopted without debate. The vote was 66 to 30 with Senators Gore, Reed, Shields, Smith of Georgia, Thomas and Walsh of Massachusetts voting with the republicans.

The text follows: "The United States shall not be obligated to contribute to any expenses of the league of nations, or of the secretariat, or of any commission, or committee, or conference, or other agency organized under the league of nations or under the treaty or for the purpose of carrying out the treaty provisions, unless and until an appropriation of funds available for that purpose has been made by the congress of the United States."

The text of the reservation on the provision as to armaments, as adopted, follows: "If the United States shall at any time adopt any plan for the limitation of armaments proposed by the council of the league of nations under the provisions of article 8, it reserves the right to increase such armaments without the consent of the council whenever the United States is threatened with invasion or engaged in war."

Armament Reservation Carries. The armament reservation was approved, 56 to 39, with the following democrats voting for it: Gore, Myers.

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Reed, Shields, Smith of Georgia, Thomas and Walsh of Massachusetts. The reservation on economic boycotts, as adopted, follows: "The United States reserves the right to permit, in its discretion, the nationals of the United States or citizens of the United States, as defined in article 16 of the covenant of the league of nations, residing within the United States or in countries other than that violating said article 16, to continue their commercial, financial and personal relations with the nationals of the United States."

The vote on this reservation was 52 to 41, with Senators Reed, Shields, Smith of Georgia and Walsh of Massachusetts, all democrats, voting for it. The reservation relating to enemy alien property reads: "Nothing in articles 228, 297 or in any of the annexes thereto or in any other article, section or annex of the treaty of peace with Germany shall be construed to mean any confirmation, ratification or approval of any act otherwise lawful, or in contravention of the rights of citizens of the United States."

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No Appeal is Taken. From this no appeal was taken, although Republican Leader Lodge expressed dissent and reserved the right to throw the question into the senate for decision later. Then followed the closure vote, depriving senators of the time-honored prerogative of unlimited debate.

Before the senate got its breath, Vice-President Marshall had put the question on the pending reservation, which related to the acceptance of mandates, and had interpreted a chorus of "ayes" and a scattering response of "noes" to mean that the measure was adopted. To cope with the objection of unkept promises, an order was sent for preparation for a feature now to the government printing office—a senatorial gazette sheet. It was scanned anxiously tonight by Senators. Working without a hitch, the republicans organized a sheet, under promptly every show of opposition. At the start the democrats offered substitutes for the committee proposals, but they tired of the effort when they found it always came to nothing.

Democrats' Votes Help. But the democrats tonight stood by their determination not to let the reservations get into the final ratification and declared they were still firm in their intention to vote against the committee's ratification resolution. The republican leaders laid plans for the final ratification vote, announcing in the house that it might be necessary for congress to remain after the treaty fight was over in order to declare a state of peace by joint resolution.

Four of the 12 democrats who helped put the reservations through voted with the republicans on every one of the 10 proposals considered. They were Senators Reed, Missouri; Gore, Oklahoma; Shields, Tennessee, and Walsh, Massachusetts. Senators Chamberlain, Oregon, and Trammell, Florida, voted for two each and Senator Kirby, Arkansas, and Myers, Montana, for one each.

Fight to End Soon. Although many reservations proposed by individual senators will come to a vote after the committee list is finished, leaders on both sides were confident tonight that the end of the treaty fight was a question of a very few days.

The forensic proclivities of the senate, which have held away unbridled through more than six months of treaty discussion, died hard. In the first hour today before the closure motion came to a vote automatically under a petition filed by a majority of senators, republican strategists started for the privilege of having the last word. A new flood of proposed reservations and amendments poured in in advance of the hour when senators knew the door would be closed by closure. Three were resolutions of ratification, one by Republican Leader Lodge containing the committee's reservations and two by Democratic Leader Hitchcock. The latter proposed, respectively, ratification without reservation and ratification with the interpretative qualifications recently filed by the administration leader.

GUY W. TALBOT BETTER
Head of Gas Company Improving After Operation in East.

Guy W. Talbot, president of the Portland Gas & Coke company, recently operated on in Chicago for removal of the gall bladder, is improving rapidly and is expected to arrive in Portland again early in December, according to advices received here yesterday.

Reports are that he will be sitting up in bed in another week and will be out of the hospital in a couple of weeks, according to present indications.

RIVER ROAD IS FAVORED
Judge Adkinson Indicates Selection at The Dalles.

THE DALLES, Or., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—The river road, as surveyed and laid out by the state highway engineers, will be the one selected and recommended by the county court to the state highway commission as the logical route for proposed link of the Columbia River highway between The Dalles and the Deschutes river. This was the opinion expressed today by County Judge J. T. Adkinson. The state highway engineers have recommended the river as against the more expensive bluff route, provided quick action is taken by the county court in its recommendation to the state commission, who in return are expected to give immediate sanction for the prompt construction of the highway.

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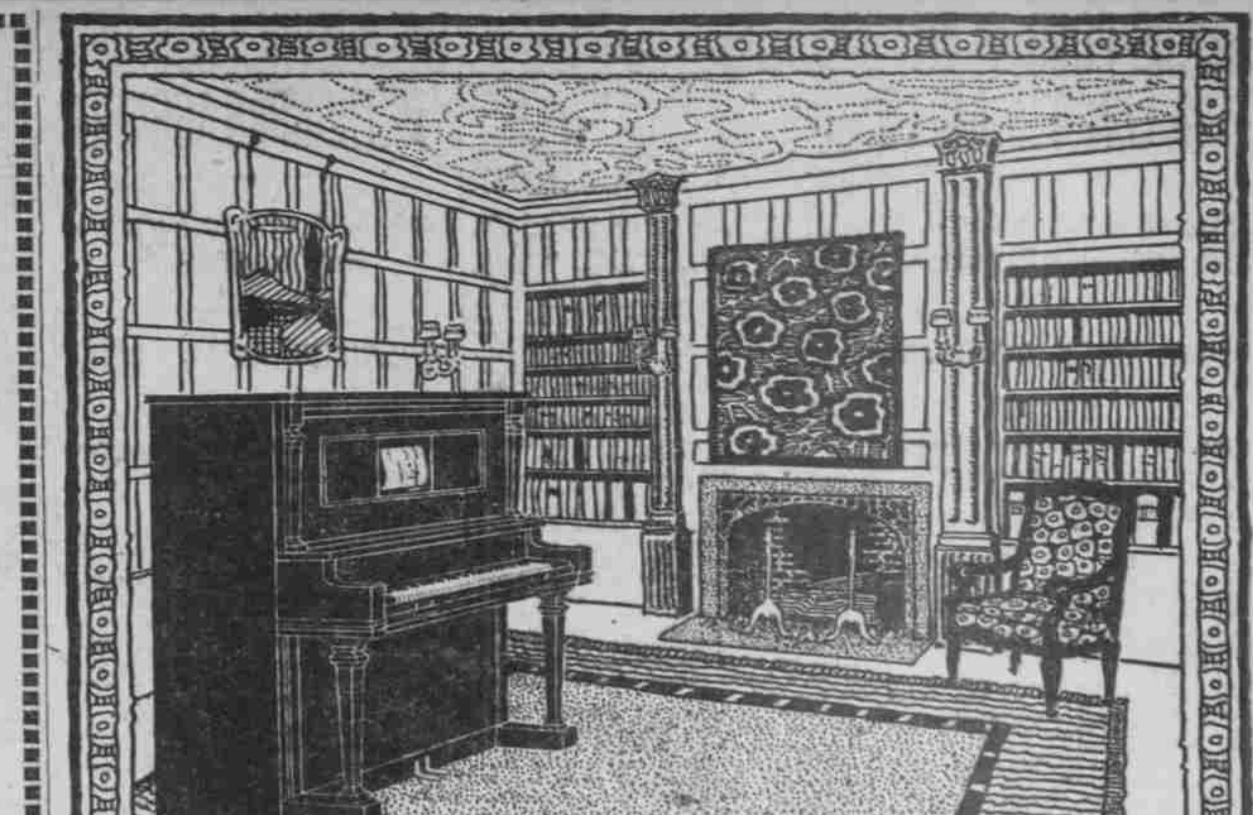
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