

3 COURSES ON PACT OPEN TO PRESIDENT

Wilson Has Power to Negotiate Separate Peace.

OTHER STEPS POSSIBLE

Chief Can Return Treaty to Senate or Treat It as Dead Letter Until People Give Verdict.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—After a troubled eight months' sojourn in the senate, the treaty with Germany was back in the keeping of President Wilson tonight with a note appended saying that ratification had been refused.

What the president's next move would be remained conjectural. The general feeling of officials about the treaty was that Mr. Wilson probably would let the treaty lie on his desk while the "bitter controversy" it has raised is fought out in the political campaign.

The treaty was taken back to the White House early in the day by a party of officials and messengers from the senate, in pursuance of an order adopted last night after a fourth vote on ratification failed to muster the necessary two-thirds. It was delivered to Secretary Tumulty, who received it in the name of the president.

Recall Movement Is Started. Scarcely had the bulky document passed physically out of the capitol building when some of the senators who worked for ratification began a movement to recall it and try once more for a compromise. However, the prediction of leaders on both sides was that no proposal for another reconsideration would take serious form.

The unsettled state of senate opinion nevertheless had the effect of slowing up the plans of the republican leaders for passage of a declaration of peace, and it was decided after many conferences that the action for that purpose, probably would not be urged before late next week.

In making this decision the majority managers in the senate are understood to have been influenced in part by undetermined factors in the house, which are expected to act on a peace resolution and whose leaders balked at a similar proposal last December.

Senate Not in Session. During the day the question of a peace declaration was raised in the house. Representative Tinkham, republican, introduced a resolution to suspend the constitution and had it referred without debate to the foreign affairs committee. In its general provisions it follows the resolution of the senate, which calls for a declaration of peace, and for a declaration of international policy.

Until some affirmative action is taken by congress or the president to end the war status legally, the technical position of the country remains in the air, says just what it was the day the armistice was signed.

Several Courses Open to Wilson. Three courses are open to Mr. Wilson. He can return the treaty to the senate, in which case the republican leaders declare it will be pigeonholed indefinitely; he can do nothing, while he waits for the republicans to act in the political campaign, or he can treat the treaty as a dead letter, so far as international diplomacy is concerned, and proceed to negotiate a separate peace with Germany, a step which he alone under the constitution could initiate.

War legislation continues in force and under the war department interpretation of the situation the president retains his war power as commander-in-chief to keep American troops at whatever ports in Germany he thinks necessary to enforce the armistice terms.

The president has expressed emphatic disapproval of securing a technical peace status by any method except ratification of the treaty. Senators generally do not believe he has altered that position, and republican senate leaders confidently expect that if they pass a peace resolution he will veto it.

Fact Returned to Wilson. Senate officials who have had physical custody of the treaty since July 19, when President Wilson himself carried it into the senate chamber, just now in obeying the mandate to return it to the White House, accompanied by several messengers, George A. Sanderson, secretary of the senate, took to the executive office early this morning and had to wait nearly an hour before Mr. Tumulty appeared to receipt for it.

The big volume, wrapped in brown paper and bound up with red tape, at first was taken into the office of Rudolph Forester, executive clerk of the White House, but Mr. Sanderson declined to leave it until he had a receipt signed by the secretary to the president. When Mr. Sanderson arrived he went for a talk with the president. Almost an hour elapsed before he returned to find the treaty on his desk and Mr. Sanderson and his assistants waiting.

"Let It Lie," Says Tumulty. After the receipt had been signed, one of the messengers took up the treaty to hand it to Secretary Tumulty, but the latter demurred.

"Let it lie there," said Mr. Tumulty, and the delegation from the senate departed.

Which of the three courses Mr. Wilson chooses, a long delay seems inevitable before he can bring the country to a full peace status, and the state department holds that until such a status is attained the present diplomatic and trade relations with Germany might be continued.

There is an American commissioner in Berlin representing the United States unofficially, but he is not regarded as having diplomatic status. All negotiations of a diplomatic character are conducted through the Spanish ambassador there, the consular field, too, the United States still is represented in Germany by Spanish agents.

Recall Expected to Collapse. The move of some senators to recall the treaty and try again for ratification was in a nebulous stage tonight and the general prediction was that it would collapse before the senate meets Monday.

One of the mild reservation republicans are understood to have withheld their decision regarding a peace declaration until there was no possibility of a reconsideration of the ratification vote. There also was some uncertainty among the republican irreconcilables, some of whom do not approve of that section of the Knox resolution which reaffirms a previous declaration of congress in favor of

the principle of an international treaty and disarmament.

The republican leaders, however, hoped in the end to agree on some form of peace which would command solid republican support.

Peace Declaration Is Asked. The text of Mr. Tinkham's resolution follows:

"Resolved, By the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, that the joint resolution of congress, passed April 6, 1917, declaring a state of war exists between the imperial German government and the government and people of the United States, and making provisions to prosecute same, be and the same is hereby repealed, provided, however, that until the German government notifies the government of the United States that it acquiesces and confirms irrevocably to the United States all undertakings and covenants contained in the treaty of Versailles, conferring upon or assuring to the United States of America any rights, powers, or benefits whatsoever, and concedes to the United States all rights, privileges, indemnities, reparations and advantages to which the United States would have been entitled were it a ratifying party to the said treaty, the president of the United States shall have power by proclamation, to prohibit commercial intercourse between the United States and Germany and the making of loans or credits, and the furnishing of financial assistance or supplies to the German government or the inhabitants of Germany, directly or indirectly by the government of the United States or the inhabitants of the United States."

"Common Sense," Says Tinkham. "Any violations of the prohibition contained in such proclamation by the president shall be punishable as provided in section 16 of the trading with the enemy act, approved October 6, 1917."

"It is further resolved that it shall be the declared policy of the United States that the freedom and peace of Europe being again threatened by any power or combination of powers, the United States will regard such a situation with grave concern and will consider what, if any, action it will take in the premises."

In a statement explaining his resolution, Mr. Tinkham said:

"Common sense and the logic of events dictated this course much more powerfully now than when the treaty failed last November."

Failure of the senate to ratify the treaty, it was learned today, will not halt the negotiations between the United States and the allies on the Turkish settlement.

SENATE ACTION CRIMINAL

BRYAN CALLS TREATY DEFEAT DISGRACE TO NATION.

Constitutional Amendment Suggested to Permit Ratification by Majority of Both Houses.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 20.—W. J. Bryan, in an interview on the rejection of the treaty, today said:

"Defeat of the treaty is a colossal crime against our country and the world. If we allow a minority of the senate to dictate the policy of the senate on this momentous question, we betray democracy and turn our faces backward toward arbitrary power, and arbitrary power as exercised by a few is scarcely less national than arbitrary power as exercised by one."

The action of the senate is the more disgraceful because the rejection was brought about by a union between a group of democrats and the irreconcilable foes of the treaty, whom the democrats have been denouncing for eight months. If the action of the senate is permitted to stand we invite confusion at home and chaos abroad.

"But the action of the senate should not be allowed to stand as the verdict of the nation. The majority in congress should assert itself at once, first, by declaring the war at an end; second, by declaring in favor of the nation's participation in the league of nations on such terms as the majority shall agree upon; third, by proposing an amendment to the constitution, permitting a majority of the senate and house to ratify a treaty by joint resolution and in the same way define the nation's foreign policy, thus making it as easy to end a war as to begin it."

"In the meantime, the people should wire and write to senators and the president urging ratification. A change of four votes will be sufficient."

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Autoist Thought to Possess Revolver Similar to That Used in Killing Is Traced South.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—The slayer of Walter Bagnell, clerk in the Aero Alarm company here and former navy man, who was shot and killed in the woods near Des Moines February 29, headed for the south in an automobile, deputies learned today, and the police of southern Washington and Oregon have been asked to look for him.

The slayer is said to have driven a "blue Chalmers" bug machine and had been traced through various cities toward the south. Bagnell, it is believed, was lured to the lonely spot where his body was found on the pretext of showing him the operation of an automobile, which he was considering purchasing.

"Sloth participation," he added, "last on the night of March 1 a right which should belong only to citizens."

NEW PARTY ORGANIZING. ST. LOUIS, March 20.—Preliminary steps toward organizing a Missouri branch of the new political party being fostered by the committee of 48 were taken at a mass meeting here last night.

AIRPLANES ISSUE SENATOR TICKETS. LONDON, March 20.—Season tickets are now being issued for the London Paris air service at a cost of £120, which entitles the holders to 12 air journeys between the two capitals.

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