

# A SHOCK TO THE COUNTRY

## SENATOR HITCHCOCK CHARACTERIZES SENATOR KNOX'S ATTACK ON THE PEACE TREATY

### INSANE FOREIGN POLICY

#### Defeat of the Peace Treaty Would Be Commercial and Financial Disaster for America, Says Nebraska Senator.

Washington.—(Special).—Declaring that any amendment to the treaty of peace, good or bad, reasonable or unreasonable, means the defeat of the treaty with all its disastrous consequences, Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska made a powerful speech in the senate, urging that the treaty be ratified without delay and without amendment.

Referring to the recent speech of Senator McCumber, republican, of North Dakota, who voted against the Shantung amendment in the foreign relations committee, Senator Hitchcock said: "He has shown that the proposed amendment, instead of helping China, deprives her of the benefit of the promises and concessions the United States has exacted from Japan. He has shown that Japan is already in possession of the German rights, privileges and leaseholds. He has also shown that Great Britain and France are under pledge to Japan to stand by her in her claim and he has challenged the supporters of the proposed amendment to show how China can possibly be benefited unless when we reject Japan's promises we propose to go to war with her and drive her out of Shantung for the benefit of China. "I think the senator from North Dakota conclusively demonstrated the folly of the proposed amendment as far as it concerns China and the danger that it involves to the United States."

#### Results of Amendment Explained.

Senator Hitchcock then explained the inevitable results if the senate should vote in favor of the Shantung amendment or any other. He said that one of two things would happen—either the president would refuse to go further with the treaty, or he would have to submit the amendment to the nations associated with the United States in the war.



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"Does anyone believe," asked the senator, "that the other nations would accept the Shantung amendment?" He pointed out that Great Britain has already ratified the treaty and is under pledge to Japan with reference to Shantung; that France is soon to ratify the treaty and is under the same pledge to Japan.

"Does anyone suppose that Japan herself would submit to such a humiliation before the eyes of the world?" asked Hitchcock. "The answer is simple," he asserted. "We would find ourselves out in the cold, isolated from the rest of the world."

"What, then, will the United States do? What will those American statesmen propose who stand for this method of killing the treaty? Some of them will say that Congress can pass a joint resolution declaring a state of peace with Germany. Others say the United States can negotiate a separate and independent treaty of peace with Germany. Those who talk this way evidently have no conception of the enormous benefits and advantages which the United States derives from this treaty, which we wrung from Germany at the cannon's mouth. Neither have they any conception of the difficulties involved in negotiating a new treaty with Germany to establish the terms of peace and settle the controversies of the war.

#### Suicidal to Reject Treaty.

"To my mind it would be suicidal for the United States to throw away the advantages and benefits provided in this treaty. It would be disastrous commercially and financially. It would put us at an enormous disadvantage in international relations not only with Germany but with those nations which we would thus desert. They would remain bound together by ties of mutual interest. They would enjoy the benefits of the treaty and would not be slow to take every advantage of them. They would resent our desertion.

"Up to this point, I have discussed the possible defeat of the treaty by means of proposed amendments to it. That is the real program and hope of the majority of the committee on foreign relations. It is for that purpose that the treaty has been locked up in cold storage for so many weeks. The enemies of the League of Nations in the senate are not many compared to its friends, but they control the committee. They have felt justified in retaining the treaty in the committee, holding useless hearings and making billiard amendments with the full

knowledge that amendments would beat the treaty just as effectively as a refusal to ratify.

"A few, a very few, senators have declared that they would vote against the treaty because of the League of Nations, but it has remained for the senator from Pennsylvania, Mr. Knox, to declare boldly against our participation in the treaty settlement.

#### Knox Amazes Country.

"To say that he has amazed the country is to put it mildly—he has shocked the country.

"Strangely enough after months of time and a number of speeches in which his attack on the treaty has been on account of Article I, which contains the League of Nations, he now takes a new position. He formerly favored taking the League of Nations out of the treaty and ratifying the peace settlement with Germany. Now he suddenly changes front, declares in favor of deserting the nations associated with us in the war and advocates an unconditional peace or a negotiated peace with Germany.

"Was there ever a more insane international policy proposed? In the mixture of politronery and folly it is difficult to see which predominates. Senator Knox goes the limit. He not only proposes that we desert our friends and abandon our obligations but he suggests that we release Germany from all promises of indemnities and reparations.

"Why not go further and propose that we compensate Germany? That would be a still stronger appeal to German sentiment."

Senator Hitchcock said that he had full faith that the treaty would receive different treatment in the senate than it has in the foreign relations committee. "In the senate," he said, "there are few men who favor deserting the cause of civilization until the victory in the field has been rendered permanent by a peace settlement with ample guarantees. In the senate are few senators who favor releasing Germany from all responsibility of the war, few senators willing to sacrifice the material interests of the United States which this treaty alone can protect."

#### Disadvantages of League Exaggerated.

In concluding, what was without doubt one of the ablest speeches that has been made in the senate for ratification of the treaty amendment, Senator Hitchcock said, "I cannot close without a few words on the League of Nations feature of the treaty, which has been so persistently and unreasonably attacked in this chamber. To most of these attacks I have listened. They have varied somewhat, but they all have one characteristic in common—a tremendous exaggeration of possible disadvantages to this country.

"Those who conjure up these possible disadvantages seem to ignore altogether the enormous advantages of organizing the world for peace. They appear to have lost sight of the horrors, evils, and dangers of war while in the contemplation of possible disadvantages under the League of Nations. They make mountains out of mole hills in reviewing difficulties in the League plans. They are suspicious that while it may benefit every other nation on earth it is so devised as to bring disaster to the United States. They crawl upon the ground with a microscope searching for pitfalls and are unable to look forward to the promised land of peace and order and justice to which the new movement leads."

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### Direct Sales Tax to be Urged.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26.—A direct sales tax was urged as a substitute for the income tax by Stephen C. Mason, president of the National Association of Manufacturers in an address today at a luncheon of the California manufacturers. He favored a budget system for the government and the enactment of legislation to make labor organizations legally responsible.

"We employers must set ourselves more sternly than ever to correcting and dispelling from our midst the handful of evil-doers who have brought disrespect on the majority of thoroughly honest American manufacturers," he said.

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### FOCH USED NAPOLEON FOR INSPIRING BRITISH

PARIS, Sept. 27.—An appeal to the British soldiers dictated by the then General Foch asking them to remember their forefathers' victory over Napoleon inspired them to attack the Germans and recover the ground they had lost before the gas wave at the second battle of Ypres, writes Colonel Feyler in the Journal De Geneve.

Before the asphyxiating gas both British and French had been obliged to give ground. The then General Foch intended to recover the former positions at all costs, according to Colonel Feyler. He asked General Sir John French to cooperate with him. "Impossible," replied French, "my men are ready to hold here but I do not feel that I can demand of them in their present condition further sacrifices in attacking."

Foch expressed surprise: "Their morale is low," he said, "why don't

you launch a proclamation? Something like this: 'British soldier forward. You who have vanquished the great Napoleon, shall it come to pass that you will permit the lowly German to drive you from your positions and retain them?'"

"How is that?" asked French greatly interested. "Please repeat it." And at the dictation of Foch, French wrote out the proclamation which was given out to the troops the next day. The next morning the British soldiers hit the line and recovered all the lost ground.

### HE "STRIKES IT RICH" AND TELLS POLICEMAN TO RETURN HIS WIFE

BUTTE, Mont., Sept. 27.—H. C. Wilson has written to the local police asking them to find his wife, Mrs. Inez Wilson, and send her to him. To make their job easy, Wilson sent her photograph to the cops, \$50 with which to pay her fare and the information that he "has struck it rich in oil and can now give her anything she wants."

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### FIRST MAN OF OHIO? NOT IN CINCY



JAMES W. COX

Governor James W. Cox of Ohio is the first man of the state—excepting in Cincinnati. And even Governor Cox is perfectly willing that Pat Moran should rank first there. Governor Cox is some Red rooster himself. He made several trips to Cincinnati during the "crucial" period of the race and now he is getting his work up at the Columbus capitol so he can get away for the world series.



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