

COMPROMISE ON TREATY IS TURNED DOWN

Senator Lodge, Republican Leader, Forced by Irreconcilables to Re-affirm Unyielding Position.

ARTICLE X OBSTACLE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—An early and unfavorable vote on ratification of the peace treaty was forecast in the senate today, when Republican leaders, replying to the demands of the treaty's irreconcilable opponents, re-affirmed their decision not to accept any change of substance or of language in the Republican reservation to article X.

Both sides concede that enough Democratic senators to defeat ratification are determined to stand with President Wilson and vote against the treaty unless the article X qualification is modified.

The Republican decision today was followed by evidence that all the elements in the senate fight would cooperate to end debate and let the treaty issue go undecided in the campaign.

Some of the leaders predicted a final vote by Thursday, but others thought it would not come before the first of next week.

To Support Program.
Under the agreement between the Republican leaders and the irreconcilables, the latter will not carry out the proposed program of prolonged debate. They will support the Republican reservation program as they did at the last session, but will vote, as they did then, against ratification.

Today's decision grew out of a conference between the Republican leader, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, and Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, spokesman for the irreconcilables.

Previously Senator Borah had conferred with Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, the Democratic leader, and it is understood the information laid before Senator Lodge convinced him that no ratification would be possible either with or without modification of the article X reservation.

If it were modified it was indicated, the irreconcilables might feel disposed to prevent a ratification vote. If it were not modified, it was said, a combination of irreconcilables and administration senators would vote down ratification.

Backed Up By Wilson
In the unyielding stand they have taken on article X, the administration forces are understood to have been backed up by a reaffirmation of President Wilson's decision not to accept the Republican reservation.

Although it was said no formal communication came from the white house, it was understood that administration senators had taken steps to satisfy themselves that Mr. Wilson had not changed his mind and that he intended to pocket the treaty if he were ratified with the article X reservation unchanged.

SENATOR BANKHEAD, OF ALABAMA, DIES

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—Senator John H. Bankhead, of Alabama, died here today after an illness of several weeks, from grippe.

Senator Bankhead was 77 years old, and had been a member of the senate since 1907. He had been in feeble health for months, and had been confined to his bed for a month.

His condition had not been regarded as serious, however, and until today, his physicians had reported him as steadily improving.

GEDDES ELIGIBLE, BRITAIN NOTIFIED

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—The British government has been formally notified by the state department that the appointment of Sir Auckland Geddes, as British ambassador to the United States would be thoroughly agreeable to President Wilson.

The embassy here recently inquired as to this selection to succeed Viscount Grey.

Attempt in Helsingfors to Kill Lord Alton
(By Associated Press)
LONDON, March 1.—It is authoritatively learned that an unsuccessful attempt has been made to assassinate Lord Alton, the British minister to Finland, at Helsingfors.

Weather Forecast

For Indiana, by United States Weather Bureau, Fair tonight and Tuesday; slightly warmer Tuesday.
Today's Temperature
Noon 37
Yesterday's Temperature.
Maximum 25
Minimum 16
General Conditions: Somewhat unsettled, but probably fair, tonight and Tuesday.
General Conditions: The weather has now cleared over the central states, with unsettled condition over the Great Lakes. Wet weather now prevails over Florida, where the weather is colder than normal. Temperatures range around zero in the northwest but is somewhat warmer over middle Mississippi valley. Rapid changes in weather are probable during the next several days.

"Prettiest Girl in West" Title Awarded This Maid



Gladys Geelan.

At the annual beauty show held recently at Venice, Cal., Gladys Geelan was chosen as the prize winner from an entry list of several hundred and awarded the title of "The Most Beautiful Blond in the West."

Shantung Clause Endangers Peace Of Our Grand Children-W.C. Dennis

The Shantung provision of the treaty of Versailles is purely a case of the United States and the other allied nations going through China's pockets to pay Japan for her services during the war, says W. C. Dennis, formerly legal advisor to the Chinese government, who is in the city visiting his mother, Mrs. D. W. Dennis, on West Main street.

Mr. Dennis is strongly in favor of the Lodge reservation to the Shantung provision, as presented to the senate at the time of its original consideration by that body.

"The senate reservation, as originally proposed, was the best thing that could be done, and I believe it should be carried in the acceptance of the treaty."

Would Benefit China
"I do not know how it now stands, but with the original reservation, there is nothing that would vitally affect the league of nations, and it would be of great benefit to China," he said.

"The Shantung provision is neither defensible or respectable," Mr. Dennis said, "but is merely a means of paying Japan for what that nation did during the war, or to my mind, what she did not do, namely, line up on the side of Germany."

Never Was Defended
"The provision as far as I know, has never been defended in principle, by any responsible person. President Wilson, in his San Francisco address, and in his testimony before the senate of the committee, did not defend the principle of the provision, but merely explained its existence. General Bliss and ex-Secretary Lansing, both declared the settlement unjust."

"The Shantung question is not a case of whether the settlement is good or bad, but how bad it really is."

"No great good can be bought by such conduct. We are trying to respect for mankind, and the league must get its power from the world's respect. To China, which constitutes one-third of the world's population, a great injustice has been done, and the league cannot be successfully carried on, in my opinion, with this injustice left unrighted."

Japan's Promise Worthless
Mr. Dennis declared that Japan's promise to restore China's sovereignty in Shantung is both meaningless and valueless. He declared that Japan, in the first place, had no sovereignty rights in China, and that through this act, and the fact that the late Japan has made a 100 per cent failure to make good on her promises toward China, make the whole settlement without value.

China regained her rights in Shantung when she declared war on Germany, and to hand these rights to Japan will be a gross breach of faith to the nation that is going to be, as it has been in the past, one of the greatest nations in the world."

All United To Oppose It
The Shantung settlement has had one great effect on China, Mr. Dennis declared, in that it has brought together all of the Chinese factions to oppose the settlement. He said that China is rapidly forging ahead in education, toward her just place among the nations of the world, and that the injustice of the Shantung provision has done more than any one thing in recent years to unite her peoples.

In speaking of the probable outcome of the Shantung settlement, if it is made according to the original treaty, Mr. Dennis declared that it greatly endangered the peace and happiness of our grand-children.

Japan Next Germany?
"If Japan gets control of this portion of China, she will mobilize its men and resources, and will be on her way to try Germany's game over again. China will not submit to this injustice without a struggle, but its form will depend largely on the circumstances of the time."

"Prompt action is necessary, for Japan already has her men at work in Shantung, and if the matter is al-

lowed to be held up by diplomatic discussion for a few years, Japan's work will be done."

Was Chinese Legal Advisor.
Mr. Dennis was legal advisor to the Chinese government for two years, but declined re-appointment to that position on Dec. 15, to return to this country.

"I am not now employed by the Chinese government, and I am speaking as an American citizen, with no responsibility toward the Chinese government. Having lived for two years among the Chinese people, however, I have learned to know them as hard working, law abiding and honest people, and have come into sympathy with their point of view."

Mr. Dennis will leave soon for Washington, D. C., where he intends to resume the practice of law.

U. S. STEEL CO. IS UPHELD BY SUPREME COURT; WINS SUIT

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—The supreme court today upheld the formation of the United States Steel corporation and subsidiary combinations in the iron and steel industry.

Refusing to dissolve the so-called "steel trust" the court dismissed the federal government's Sherman law suit for dissolution.

After the New Jersey federal court's dismissal of the government's prosecution, the supreme court declined to enjoin the restraint of trade charge, and also denied an order to break up the super-combination, said to be the world's greatest industrial organization, with assets exceeding two billion dollars.

In dismissing the federal suit, however, the court ordered such dismissal "without prejudice," permitting the government to sue again if the corporation actually resorts to illegal, wrongful, or reprehensible practices.

Lorenzo Mayhew, Clarence Wayhew's Father, Dies at 87

Lorenzo D. Mayhew, 87 years old, died of heart trouble, at his home at 101 North Twenty-third street, at 5 a. m., Monday. He was born in Pennsylvania, but has lived in Richmond for over 65 years, being well known.

He is survived by two sons, Clarence, station master at the union station, and John, of this city; also four daughters, Mrs. Emma Bugall, of Chicago; Miss Margaret Mayhew, of Chicago; Mrs. Katherine Woodward, of Kenilworth, Illinois, and Mrs. J. H. Karm.

Funeral services will be held in the house and burial will be in Earlham, although the time has not been set, pending the arrival of relatives.

Wood and Poindexter to Debate in S. D.

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, March 1.—General Leonard Wood and Senator Miles Poindexter will hold a joint debate at Pierre, S. D., on March 20, three days before the South Dakota primary, Wood headquarters here announced today.

General Wood will spend six days from March 15 to March 20, touring the state.

ITALIANS PROTEST PUBLICITY

ROME, Sunday, Feb. 29.—Italian newspapers protest because of the publication of correspondence between President Wilson and the allied premiers relative to the Adriatic by the press of France, England and America, while journals here were not permitted to print the news, which, they say, was chiefly interesting to Italy.

NITTI IS READY TO COMPROMISE FIUME QUARREL--MESSAGERO

(By Associated Press)
ROME, March 1.—Premier Nitti is disposed to accept a compromise settlement of the Adriatic question, according to the Messaggero.

By this arrangement, the newspaper says, Italy would not claim territorial continuity between Istria and Fiume on condition that the city be placed under Italian sovereignty. The league of nations, it is said, will be in charge of the administration of the port.

MANCHESTER, Eng., March 1.—President Wilson's letters in the Adriatic correspondence, just published, are considered by the Guardian as a refutation "of the report that his illness has caused some loss of mental force and balance."

It asks: "If President Wilson is suffering from any malady of political judgment could not some American bacteriologist convey us a few germs that we may inoculate our European premiers?" The Guardian continues.

Red Cross Fights Typhus Plague With New Serum

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, March 1.—Mortality from typhus fever has been reduced from 47 percent to six percent by the use of a new serum adopted by red cross workers at Ekaterinodar, in the Kuban District of Russia, according to reports received here. Confidence is expressed that this serum may save Russia from decimation from typhus.

BELGRADE, March 1.—Typhus fever has again broken out in Serbia and is spreading with alarming rapidity through refugees fleeing from the Bolsheviks on the South Russian front.

American Red Cross officers, at the request of the government, are preparing to disinfect every person entering the country.

63 TAKEN OFF OF STRANDED STEAMER

HALIFAX, March 1.—Sixty-three passengers of the steamship Bohemia, which struck on Sambro Island, off the harbor, in a snow storm, early today, were taken off by tug and brought to this port.

Tugs stood by the vessel, which was bound for Liverpool from Boston. The 120 members of the crew remained on board.

SLICK WOULD TURN BACK ASH CONTRACT

The board of works Monday recommended that council accept the offer of F. E. Slick, trash contractor, to give up his contract.

The board accepted Slick's proposal to lend the city his entire equipment without compensation to clean up the city of ashes and trash and give it back as clean as it was when he took the contract last June. The board recommended acceptance.

City Attorney Robbins and D. H. Harlan, attorney for Slick, will draw up a detailed recommendation for presentation at the council meeting tonight. In event the city takes over the contract, Al Schneider, street commissioner, will be in charge.

John E. Pinnick, city building inspector, was instructed to have the work needed in the city building that could not be accomplished by contract, done at once.

Railway Expressmen Want \$35 Raise; Strike Alternative

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, March 1.—Railway express employees in Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, Toledo and other cities will present demands for a flat increase of \$35 a month, Robert E. Shephard, general chairman of the Chicago and Western Lakes division of the International union, announced today. There are 4,400 employees in Chicago alone.

The wage demands open a revolt against the international union chiefs. "The grand lodge officers have done nothing for us; all we have had are promises," Mr. Shephard said. "The men need the money and we are going after it."

Industry Census Begins; Six Months are Needed

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—The field work for the government's censuses of manufactures, mines and quarries, oil and gas wells, and forestry and forest products began today.

Ninety-eight trained men from the census bureau here and more than 1,200 special agents, residents of the localities which they are to canvass began early the task of collecting information relating to the industrial production of the country in its entirety.

Director Rogers estimates that more than six months will be required to complete the work and another two months will be required to tabulate the information and give it to the public in the form of general statistics.

PROTEST COMPENSATING WILLIAM

(By Associated Press)
BERLIN, March 1.—Protests against the proposal of the Prussian diet to compensate former emperor William for the loss of his throne, and demands that the estates of the crown be expropriated were voiced in resolutions passed unanimously at a meeting of the socialist party of the Berlin district last evening. Several members of the ministry were present. Warning was given that if the diet's proposal was accepted by the bourgeois parties the socialists would withdraw from the German government.

CASH VALUE TO BE BASIS OF COUNTY'S TAX ASSESSMENTS

Assessment prices for stock and produce for the spring assessment, which began March 1, were determined by the township and deputy assessors, who met Monday to receive instructions and supplies. Charles E. Potter, deputy assessor, gave the instructions and presided.

Civil and Mexican war veterans, over 70 years of age, having served in the army for at least 3 months, and who have taxable property not in excess of \$5,000, are entitled to exemption up to \$1,000, by filing certificates, which can be procured from the county auditor, with the auditor.

There will be no set schedule for assessing automobiles. They will be assessed at their true cash value, based on the judgment of the assessor.

Autos \$300 and Up
The assessment valuations are: Typewriters, each \$30 and up; adding machines, \$75 and up; cash registers, \$60 and up; pianos, \$100 and up; organs, \$5 and up; automobiles, \$300 and up.

Horses: First class team and farm horses, each, \$200 to \$250; common work horses, \$100 to \$150 each; first class three year old colts, \$125 to \$175 each; first class two year old colts, \$75 to \$100 each; first class one year old colts, \$60 to \$75 each; first class carriage horses, \$150 to \$200 each; first class horses, with records, \$500 to \$1,000 each; registered stallions, \$500 to \$2,000 each; graded stallions, \$200 to \$500 each.

Mules: Jacks, \$200 to \$500 each; first class mules, \$250 to \$300; first class three year old mules, \$150 to \$200; first class two year old mules, \$100 to \$150 each; first class one year old mules, \$75 to \$100 each.

Cattle: Registered bulls, \$200 to \$300 each; common cows, \$100 to \$125 each; stock cattle, per 100 pounds, \$7; good feeders, per 100 pounds, \$8; fat cattle, per 100 pounds, \$10.

Sheep: Registered, \$35 to \$50; all other sheep, \$10 to \$20.

Hogs: Registered, \$100 to \$200; common brood sows, \$40 to \$60; stock hogs, per 100 pounds, \$10; fat hogs, per 100 pounds, \$12.

Poultry: Chickens and ducks, per dozen, \$10; turkeys and geese, per dozen, \$24.

Clover Seed \$30 Bushel.
Farm products: Corn, per bushel, \$1.25; rye, per bushel, \$1.25; oats, per bushel, 75 cents; potatoes, per bushel, \$2; barley, per bushel, \$1; clover seed, per bushel, \$30; timothy seed, per bushel, \$5; flax seed, per bushel, 50 cents; clover hay, per ton, \$20; timothy hay, per ton, \$20; mixed hay, per ton, \$20; shredded fodder, per ton, \$8; bacon, per pound, 25 cents; lard and bulk pork, per pound, 25 cents; wool, per pound, 50 cents; maple syrup, per gallon, \$3; maple sugar, per pound, 50 cents; sorghum molasses, \$1.50 per pound; ice, (50 cubic feet to ton), per ton, \$2.

Assessors Are Named.
David L. Reid, assessor for Wayne township, has appointed 11 deputy personal assessors, 3 country assessors, and two additional on improvements, as follows:

Personal: Leve M. Jones, A. Turner, James P. Reid, Edward P. Muey, Emma Porterfield, Laura Plummer, J. Vandegiel, E. W. Connell, Ellis L. Frame, John Bennett, Thomas Layler, country, and city, E. L. Commons, George Maish, L. M. Jones; additional improvements, Charles Bell and C. E. Potter.

The township assessors and their respective townships follow: Clinton Martindale, Jefferson; Harry Jarrett, Abington; Levi R. Odum, Harrison; Edward Wilcoxen, Webster; John Bowman, Perry; Edward Sykes, Clay; James H. Martin, Center; John W. Burgess, New Garden; William B. Overhuler, Boston; Albert J. Newman, Washington; John W. Reid, Franklin; Clara R. Martin, Commons; Harry Macy, Dalton, and David L. Reid, Wayne.

STEELE BUYS HALF OF HITTLE BLOCK

Announcement of the purchase of one-half interest in the Hittle block, at Ninth and Main streets, by J. J. Steele, was made by Mr. Steele, Monday. The building was formerly owned by Mrs. E. L. Cobb and the Study estate. Mr. Steele purchased the half owned by Mrs. Cobb. The purchase price was \$50,000. Mr. Steele said today that he did not intend to change the building, but made the purchase as an investment. The building is located on the northwest corner of Ninth and Main streets.

Mrs. Anna Van Schoiack Succumbs at Age of 80
Mrs. Anna Van Schoiack, 80 years old, died of senility at her home at 29 North Eleventh street at 11 a. m., Sunday. She was born in North Carolina, but has lived in Richmond for over 50 years. She is survived by two children, Charles Hammon and Mrs. Genevieve Meyers of this city.

Funeral services will be held at the home at 2 p. m., Tuesday. Burial will be in Earlham cemetery. Friends may call at any time.

WANTS BIG INDEMNITY.

(By Associated Press)
COPENHAGEN, March 1.—Poland is demanding \$1,500,000,000 marks in gold as indemnity from Soviet Russia in the peace negotiations now going forward, the National Tidende learns.

MIGHT MARCH PROFITERS IN U. S. THIS WAY

BERNE, March 1.—Usurers, black-millers and profiteers are being placarded and marched in chains through the streets and market places of Bulgarian cities, according to advices received here. This public exposure recalls the mediaeval pillory, is said to be producing results.

May Go to Berlin



Ira Nelson Morris

The rumor will not down at Washington that Ira Nelson Morris, present U. S. minister to Sweden, will be named ambassador to Berlin. Morris had more than ample opportunity at Stockholm during and after the war to become fully acquainted with conditions in Germany and general conditions all over Europe. Stockholm has been known as one of the chief centers of information on diplomatic affairs.

ARRESTS MADE IN FRENCH R. R. STRIKE; VOLUNTEERS CALLED

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, March 1.—Five railroad strike leaders were arrested today. They were M. Sirolle, M. Leveque and M. Sigrand of the Paris union.

Secretary-General Chavernet, of the Paris, Lyons and Mediterranean union, and M. Sourdoux. All are charged with interference with the liberty to work and provoking disobedience.

Five thousand persons have volunteered for service on the railroads of France during the strike, and 200 chauffeurs have placed themselves at the disposal of the ministry of public works in carrying out the retooling system, according to the Matin.

Hundreds of students from the Central high school, have been placed at posts on different railways, where they are being given practical instruction. Independent syndicalists in Alsace-Lorraine have appealed to railroad men to remain at work.

MEXICAN, SUSPECTED OF KILLING MORRILL, HANGED BY BANDITS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—A Mexican bandit named Cacheton was found hanged on the morning of Feb. 28, near the place where Augustus Morrill, once American consul at Manzanillo, was killed Feb. 26. State department advices today said the bandit was executed "possibly by the slayer of Morrill" by order of Cipriano Corona, the leader of the bandits in the state of Colima.

NOGALES, Ariz., March 1.—Details of the pursuit across the international line of Mexican bandits who on Friday killed Alexander J. Fraser and wounded his brother John A. Fraser at Arivaca, Ariz., were expected to be made known today with the return of Sheriff R. R. Earhart, Earhart, who headed a posse which unavailingly trailed the Mexicans with bloodhounds, gave up the chase yesterday and returned to Montana camp last night.

The Mexicans cut all telephone wires reaching the Montana camp vicinity and the only information coming through early today was that Earhart had started for Nogales.

(By Associated Press)
MEXICO CITY, March 1.—Cirilo Arenas, a rebel leader, has been captured by secret military police at Puebla, according to a telegram from Governor Alfonso Cabrera of the state of Puebla, made public here last night.

Arenas was taken into custody when he attempted to enter the city of Puebla, after leaving the Gulf coast region. About a year ago a brigade of soldiers under command of Arenas, and protecting the inter-oceanic railway revolted after Arenas received a large sum for the payment of the troops. Since that time this force has been operating with constantly decreasing success in outlying portions of Puebla and Tlaxcala.

Semi official reports announce the capture of Marcelo Chavarro, in the state of Tamaulipas. This bandit has in recent years attained considerable notoriety for his exploits, and General Francisco Murguía came to this city for a conference with President Carranza recently relative to plans for the apprehension of Carraro.

GENERAL STRIKE CALLED IN ITALIAN RIOT

(By Associated Press)
MILAN, March 1.—As a result of a collision between a crowd and a police force yesterday, in which the officers fired on the mob, and two civilians were mortally wounded, a general strike was declared at midnight.

RAILROADS AGAIN RUN BY OWNERS

Interstate Commerce Commission Notifies Carriers of New Rights and Privileges Under Law.

HINES SOLE SURVIVOR

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—Railroads of the country, operating for the first time in 26 months under their own management, were formally notified today by the interstate commerce commission, of the new powers delegated to that body, and of the rights and privileges accorded the carriers by the new railroad law.

The commission's announcement explained that the provisions of the law against rate reductions prior to Sept. 1, without the commission's approval, were mandatory, but that charges in rate regulations, classifications, and practices, in which a decision has been entered by the commission, would be effective as designated.

Rule Changes to Stand.
All changes in rates and classifications effective prior to today will stand, the statement said.

The 26 lines that had been merged into what was practically one gigantic system, again went under control of private interests, free to operate in competition as of old.

The transfer from government to private control was without incident, and there was nothing to indicate to the traveling public that there had been a change.

Hines Is Last Leaf.
Of the staff of directors and executives, who controlled the roads during government operation, Director-General Hines alone remains. He will have no authority in directing the operation of the systems, and remains simply to clear up matters left pending when the government relinquished control.

These include thousands of claims, contracts and grievances yet to be settled and among which are \$2 compensation contracts with various roads which still are the subject of negotiations.

Under the so-called railroad reorganization bill which governed the return of the transportation systems to private ownership, but little jurisdiction is retained by the government.

Commission Has Powers.
Under its terms the interstate commerce commission is given greater powers to control rates and compulsory arbitration of labor disputes is required. The bill authorizes the commission to settle all questions, including compensation, and appropriates \$200,000,000 for this purpose.

Standard Returns Provided.
Provides guarantee of "standard returns" to carriers for a period of six months after the termination of federal control.

Creates a "revolving fund" of \$300,000,000 for making new loans to carriers.

Creates a railroad labor board and other machinery for the amicable settlement of disputes between employers and employees.

Directs the interstate commerce commission to fix rates that will provide for two years 5 1/2 per cent returns to the railroads on the value of the aggregate railway property devoted to the public use.

Six Per Cent Limit.
Provides that no carrier earns in any year a net operating income in excess of six per cent, one half of such excess must be placed in a reserve fund and the other must be paid into a general contingent fund, to be used to make loans to carriers.

Gives to the interstate commerce commission the power to regulate the issue of railroad securities.

Increases the interstate commerce commission from nine to eleven members and their salaries from \$10,000 to \$12,000.

Labor's Attitude Waited.
Whether labor union leaders who stubbornly fought the measure in congress, and later sought to have President Wilson veto it, will test the constitutionality of the bill in the courts will be decided here today at the conference of executives of the railway brotherhoods.

The conference was arranged to consider the president's reply to their formally presented objections to the bill.

BOSTON, March 1.—The return of New England railroads to private ownership today was accompanied by curtailment of passenger train service on several lines as a means of expediting needed fuel and food deliveries which were held up by the recent storms and freeze ups.

Fifty-one trains were cancelled on the New York, New Haven and Hartford. Other roads also reduced service. The New Haven started a drive to move 4,000 freight cars stalled in yards and on sidings in order to remove the danger of a food shortage.

LANSBURY BRINGS BACK RUSS PEACE DETAILS.

(By Associated Press)
COPENHAGEN, March 1.—Lansbury, former Socialist, the British parliament, who in Moscow for some time to reach the Helsinki conference, and Russian prisoners, a dispatch from the Fin. It is said he will bring the Russian soviet peace Finland.