

ITALY BECOMES QUITE DEFIANT

Her Delegates to Withdraw From Peace Conference Unless Fiume is Ceded.

A BITTER CONTROVERSY

BETWEEN ITALY AND NEW JUGO-SLAV STATE.

The latter claim that Fiume is a Croatian city and a necessary sea outlet for its commerce.

Paris, March 21.—The Italian delegation to the peace conference has unanimously decided to withdraw from the conference unless Fiume is assigned to Italy.

The decision was reached at a meeting today of the full delegation presided over by Premier Orlando.

The decision of the Italian delegation as reported from Paris apparently brings to a head the bitter controversy between Italy and the new Jugo-Slav state over the disposition of the land along the Adriatic.

SOME TARIFF CHANGES TO BE MADE THIS YEAR

But General Revision Will Take Place Later on, it is Announced.

Ottawa, March 21.—Although no definite promises of tariff reform were made in so many words at the Unionist caucus yesterday.

In the series of seven-minute speeches by which members from both east and west expressed their tariff views there were no threats and no loud talking.

Sir Thomas, though speaking in a conciliatory manner both at the opening and the close of the caucus, made it clear that he stood on the constitutional practice of having the Government responsible for the tariff as for any other policy.

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cus was held only for the Government to hear an expression of views and that the Government did not intend to give any promises or intimations one way or the other.

SIR AUCKLAND GEDDES MCGILL'S NEW HEAD

At Present the British Minister of Construction—Career as Soldier.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) London, March 21.—According to the Daily Express, Sir Auckland Geddes has been offered and will accept the principality of McGill University.

A SINN FEIN RAID TO SECURE FIREARMS

Overpowered Soldiers on Guard at Airdrome Six Miles From Dublin.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Dublin, March 21.—The biggest raid by Sinn Feiners to secure arms which has as yet been recorded took place yesterday morning at the airdrome near Santry, six miles from here.

LEAVE TARIFF ALONE

Hamilton Board of Trade Alarmed at Tariff Talk.

Hamilton, Ont., March 21.—The Hamilton Board of Trade has forwarded to the Premier a protest against any tinkering with the tariff.

GERMAN SEAMEN REFUSE

To Operate Hun Ships Demanded by Entente Allies.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Repln, March 21.—The German steamers Burgmeister Von Melle and Burgermeister Schoeder, which were scheduled to sail on March 18th, in accordance with the agreement reached at Brussels between the German and inter-allied food commissions, have been prevented from leaving Hamburg.

COL. MORDEN SUEED

Aemilius Jarvis Brings Suit for Steamship Commissions.

London, March 21.—Commodore Aemilius Jarvis' suit for \$37,500 against Grant Morden, M.P., slated for hearing in London courts, is attracting interest of financiers and politicians.

Make Thanksgiving Day Nov. 11th.

Ottawa, March 21.—That Thanksgiving Day be fixed permanently as falling on November 11th, the date of the signing of the armistice, is the motion which I. E. Pedlow, M.P. for South Renfrew, intends placing on the order paper.

In the past Thanksgiving had been a movable date, usually falling, however, on a Monday. There has been some objection to holidays following each other and the mover of the resolution above mentioned is of the opinion that it is not necessary that it should occur on a Monday.

M.S.A. Cost Over Three Millions.

Ottawa, March 21.—The total expenditure incurred to Jan. 1st in the administration and enforcement of the Military Service Act was given as \$3,661,417 in answer to a question by E. W. Tobin. He was told that there was still a certain amount of expenses owing to the fact that the Military Service branch of the Justice Department and the outside Registrars' offices had to be kept open to give information to Parliament.

Ottawa Strike Ends. Ottawa, March 21.—The striking pressmen in the Printing Bureau have decided to return to work.

WIFE OF HUNGARY'S FIRST PRESIDENT.



This is the latest photo taken of Countess Karolyi, wife of Count Michael Karolyi, of Budapest. The Countess is the daughter of Count Julius Andrássy, late foreign minister of the deceased Austro-Hungarian monarchy. Her husband, Count Michael Karolyi, is the President of the Hungarian Republic.

DEWART'S BOMB IN LEGISLATURE

Infers That Chief License Inspector Shared in Money Paid Detectives.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Toronto, March 21.—The Government has been informed that a bomb was thrown into the House of Commons on the morning of the 19th inst., which exploded in the Chamber.

A JUDICIAL COMMISSION TO BE APPOINTED TO PROBE ANY CHARGES

Against Inspector Aycarst or Any Member of the License Board or Any Officer of the Department.

Toronto, March 21.—H. H. Dewar, K.C., Liberal member for S.W. Toronto, threw a bomb into the Government ranks yesterday. He dealt at great length with the methods pursued in the enforcement of the Ontario Temperance Act by the License Board, and referred in particular to what is known as the Homer case.

While the Government, early in the evening, declared that Mr. Dewar would have to formulate his charges to have a committee of the House appointed to investigate, just prior to adjournment at 11:30 the Prime Minister, Sir William Hearst, announced that a judicial commission would be appointed to probe any charges against Mr. Aycarst or any member of the License Board or any officer of the department.

Housing Bill Becomes Law.

After being before the Legislature for upwards of three weeks the Government housing bill is now the law of the land. At the opening of the session yesterday his honor the Lieutenant-Governor attended, and gave his consent to the measure; also to the bill to amend the Bureau of Municipal Affairs, permitting the appointment of J. A. Ellis of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board as a director.

More Troops Coming.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) London, March 21.—The Seventh, Fifteenth and Fifteenth Battalions have arrived in England, on their way home to Canada. The transport Minneopola, sailed from Liverpool on Wednesday with 2,500 troops aboard, mostly from Kinmel Camp. More than one thousand are for Ontario.

In About Four Weeks.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Paris, March 21.—When informed of the statement by Col. House to the British newspapers last night that the Germans were expected at Versailles in three weeks, Lloyd George said: "Add another week and it will be about right."

The hospital ship Araguay expected to-day at Portland with about 800 wounded Canadian soldiers, has been delayed by fog and will not reach the port until Saturday at noon according to a radio message from the steamer.

Clayton Peterson, Kitchener, was given a maximum fine of one thousand dollars and costs and four other men fined heavily for breach of the Ontario Temperance Act.

45TH BATTERY TO BE WELCOMED

When it Reaches Kingston Which Will Likely Be Monday.

A COMMITTEE APPOINTED

TO MEET MAJOR A. C. GILL'S UNIT AT MONTREAL.

Preparations being made for a Civic Reception—A Half-Holiday to be Declared by the Mayor. On Wednesday the news was received in Kingston that the 45th Kingston Battery was on its way home on board the SS. Olympic and would probably reach Halifax on Saturday.

THE REGULAR ARMY HAS DISAPPEARED

But Men Must Be Retained For Keys of Overseas Garrisons.

London, March 21.—During a debate in committee in the House of Commons on the Military Service Bill, Winston Spencer Churchill, Minister of War, opposing the amendment limiting the operation of the bill to Dec. 31st, 1919, instead of April 30th, 1920, emphasized the fact that the British regular army had virtually disappeared, and that it was necessary to keep men whom the bill retained with the keys for overseas garrisons.

To Make a Big Noise.

It was moved that a request be issued that all bells be rung, all whistles blown and all guns fired on the arrival of the train at the outer station, and that this "big noise" should continue while the unit marches through the city.

Some discussion arose as to declaring a public holiday on the day of arrival. It was felt that all stores and places of business should be closed for at least half a day to allow employees to join in the demonstration of welcome.

Major McManus suggested that the route of march should be from the station to King street to Brock street, to Barrie street, to Princess street, to Montreal street, and to the armories, where the men will be allowed to mingle with their relatives for a short time before marching to the Artillery Park Square to receive the official welcome.

Prisoners Spreading Typhoid.

New York, March 21.—Typhoid is being spread through Siberia by Russians returning from German prisons, according to a cable message from Consul-General Harris at Irkutsk received by Y.M.C.A. office here to-day. The cable said Y.M.C.A. work would be appreciated, and that there is the usual drug famine.

Higher Protective Duties.

London, March 21.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Melbourne says that W. A. Watt, Acting Premier and Treasurer of Australia announced in Parliament calling for higher protective duties.

Details of Parade.

Major McManus announced that General Williams, G.O.C., M.D. No. 3, will arrange the details of the parade. It will be headed by the civic officials and Gen. Williams, with escorts, followed by the K.C.H.A. band. Then will come the unit of honour, led, if possible, by men of that unit who have already returned.

No Suggestion Of Settlement.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Ottawa, March 21.—At the conclusion of a prolonged caucus of the Union Government supporters on tariff questions yesterday, Sir Thomas White, acting prime minister, said there had been no suggestion of a scheme among the members, and arrangements would be made for conferences in which conflicting interests could present their views. He was confident that measures would be arranged that would be satisfactory to the members and no detrimental to national interests.

WORLD CONGRESS OF THE RED CROSS

Fifty Eminent Specialists Will Be in Paris to Organize Bureau of Hygiene.

Paris, March 21.—More than forty specialists, each the foremost in his field, are expected here for the preliminary conference on April 1st, which will prepare for the congress of all Red Cross societies which will be held at Geneva thirty days after peace is declared. The work will deal with the organization of an international council and bureau of hygiene, which will strive for the prevention of epidemic diseases, such as tuberculosis, and the perfection of measures for child welfare.

ALL ORGANIZED LABOR

In Canada to Aid Printing Bureau Strike.

Ottawa, March 21.—If the Government closes down the printing bureau, as it threatens to do, in the event of the strike continuing, there will not only be the bureau press men involved in the strike, but the fight will be taken up by organized labor throughout the Dominion.

PEACE TREATY READY SATURDAY

To Be Submitted to the Conference At the Week-End.

Paris, March 21.—The League of Nations covenant, as it will be incorporated in the preliminary peace treaty, will be practically completed Saturday, according to general belief to-day.

JAPAN'S MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION

Wants an Article Inserted in Covenant Prohibiting Racial Discrimination.

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THE LEAGUE'S COVENANT

TO BE INCLUDED, SO IT IS REPORTED.

On that day the committee which drew up the constitution will hold its first meeting since the initial draft was finished. President Wilson will preside at the session, which will be called at ten o'clock.

Baron Makino, Japanese member of the league committee, has made clear that he agrees with the sentiments expressed by Viscount Ishii, ambassador to the United States, in a recent speech at New York.

The commission on aerial problems has agreed to the general principles of control for aerial navigation, but has appointed three subcommittees which will work out the details. It was said the final programme will be finished in about a month.

An important feature of the commission's work in recognition of full and absolute jurisdiction by each state of the air above its territory and territorial waters. It also recognizes possible freedom of aerial navigation, so far as it can be reconciled with the foregoing and with safety regulations.

TRIBUTES IN LEGISLATURE

To the Memory of the Late Hon. W. J. Hanna.

Toronto, March 21.—Formal assent to the Housing Bill and the bill amending the Bureau of Municipal Affairs Act was given at the opening of the Legislature yesterday afternoon by Sir John Headrie, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, who visited Queen's Park for that purpose. The lustre which his presence added to the afternoon's proceedings was overshadowed, however, by the universal regret at the passing of the Hon. W. J. Hanna, whose seat in the Government room was draped in black. The character of the former provincial secretary was highly eulogized by Premier Hearst and Mr. Prud'homme.

Ambassadorship Still Open.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Paris, March 21.—Reuter's Limited says the offer of the British ambassadorship at Washington to Sir Robert L. Borden of Canada is still open. Premier Borden has not yet made a decision.

Fleet to Tour South America.

Santiago, March 21.—An agreement was made here that Great Britain will send a fleet of 12 warships to tour South America. The fleet will leave Europe as soon as the peace treaty is signed.

Hamilton Tigers Win.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Toronto, March 21.—Selkirk's defeated Hamilton Tigers in the hockey game here last night for the Allan cup by 5 to 1. But the Tigers win the round by 7 to 6.

THE LATEST NEWS BRIEFLY GIVEN

Despatches that Come From Near and Distant Places.

TIDINGS FOR OUR READERS

PRESENTED IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FORM.

The Whig's Daily Condensation of the News of the World From Telegraphic Service and Newspaper Exchange.

Up to March 12th, 1919, the newspaper commission had cost the country \$75,945.

A report from Petrograd says two hundred are dying daily from typhoid fever in that city.

The Bolshevik Government of Russia has resolved to give the widow of Karl Liebknecht an honorary pension of 40,000 rubles.

The London Daily Express says the presidency of McGill University has been offered to Sir Auckland Geddes and he will accept.

Switzerland has granted the request of ex-Empress Charles of Austria-Hungary for permission to reside in that country.

The cost of the war to Canada, as submitted to the reparations commission at Paris is one billion five hundred million dollars.

The Ontario Government will appoint a judicial commission to inquire into the charges of liquor "rake off" by a license inspector.

Conditions of the Greeks in the Smyrna district are critical. It is reported that fifty bodies were found decapitated and partly burned.

A memorial service for American soldiers and sailors who fell in the war will be held in Westminster Abbey, London, on April 4th.

A report from Posen says the Germans have refused to sign the terms agreed upon. Negotiations have been considered broken off. The Germans are quitting Posen.

Higher wages, fewer hours and the men to share in mine control are three of the points agreed on by the Government commission investigating the British miners' troubles.

The cost of the Repatriation Committee to March 11th was \$60,720. There are fifty employed in the work of the committee at the present time. Salaries to date total \$23,841.

Sir Thomas White announced at Ottawa on Thursday afternoon that he had no information as to the resignation of Sir George Perley as high commissioner. He did not believe there was any truth in the report.

GIRL PUT POISON IN QUEST'S FOOD

Had Invited Wife of Lover to Luncheon to Discuss Divorce.

Seattle, March 21.—Miss Ruth Garrison, eighteen, confessed, yesterday, the police said, that she put poison in the food of her luncheon guest, Mrs. Grace E. Storrs, twenty-eight, because Mrs. Storrs was a rival for the affections of her husband, Douglas Storrs, an automobile mechanic. Mrs. Storrs died in a department store emergency hospital immediately after the luncheon.

Miss Garrison telephoned Mrs. Storrs, the police allege, and asked her to come to lunch and discuss the question of a divorce for the Storrs.

The girl reached the tea-room about 7 o'clock, ordered the meal and, according to the police, placed the poison in a fruit cocktail.

Miss Garrison was arrested at the home of her uncle, John D. Esary, president of the Island Transportation Company. The police said she admitted placing the poison in Mrs. Storrs' food.

REV. JOHN E. HUNTER

Co-partner of Rev. R. T. Cressley in 1898 revival campaign in Canada, whose death occurred on Monday last.