

PHONED A CROSS ATLANTIC TODAY

THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY MAY SPLIT ON O.T.A. MATTER

Many Members are in Sympathy With Machine

HEARST EXPECTED TO MAKE EARLY ANNOUNCEMENT
TORONTO, March 19.—An early announcement of the Hearst Government's future policy on the Prohibition question, as anticipated during the past week, became a more certain prospect than ever in consequence of a caucus of the government and its supporters held at Queen's Park this morning, and continued until after one o'clock.

While no intimation was forthcoming from Hearst as to the issues and considerations, it was indicated from other matters that the Ontario Temperance Act threatened to become a rock on which the Conservative party would split, unless amendments were forthcoming.

That more than a few of the mem-

bers on the Government side of the house, as well as some of the Opposition were in sympathy with Colonel S. A. Machin, M.P.P., of Kenora, in his vehement denunciation of the O.T.A. two weeks ago is an open secret in the lobbies in Queen's Park and it is understood on fairly good authority that Premier Hearst is likely to give at least an outline of the government's future policy, before many days elapse.

It had formerly been anticipated that this would come during the budget debate, but it does not now appear probable that the premier will speak during the debate. Those with an ear to the ground are, however, confident that an announcement will not be long postponed.



THE YPRES GHOST THAT CARED A SENTRY.

League Covenant Not to Delay Peace Treaty

THREE AMENDMENTS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED
PARIS, March 19.—The inclusion of the league of nations' covenant in the preliminary peace treaty will not delay the signing of the treaty which will, it is hoped, be accomplished within two weeks, said Lord Robert Cecil of Great Britain, talking to British and American newspaper correspondents last night.

He said that three amendments to the covenant had been submitted, but added he was "sure there will be no difficulty in meeting all legitimate objections."

Asquith May Become President of League

SAYS LONDON DAILY MIRROR
LONDON, March 19.—There is a strong feeling in political and diplomatic circles in Paris in favor of inviting Herbert Asquith, former British Premier to become first President of the League of Nations, according to the London Daily Mirror.

Bankers Wife Killed By Exploding Bomb

POLICE SAY \$50000 HAD BEEN DEMANDED OF HUSBAND
OAKLAND, California, March 19.—Mrs. George Greenwood, wife of the vice-president of Union Savings Bank and Trust Co., of San Francisco, was killed by a bomb explosion at Oakland last night in which Mrs. Greenwood was killed.

Rush for Gratuities

26,000 FIRST AND 20,000 SECOND PAYMENTS MADE
OTTAWA, March 19.—Twenty-nine thousand applications for gratuities have been received at the paymaster's branch of the department of militia from members of the Canadian expeditionary forces who were discharged prior to the armistice, (November 11, 1918). Already 26,000 first payments and 20,000 second payment checks have been issued by the department to such applicants.

Of the remainder of applications, a considerable number have been rejected, while others are being held over for further investigation.

In the meantime the department states emphatically that there is no delay in the issuance of checks, which can humanely be avoided under the circumstances. Complaints there have been but because of the intricate detail in connection with the retroactive application of the gratuity order-in-council, to men who have been discharged all the way back from 1915, complaints are inevitable.

An agreement has been reached among the allies concerning the strength of the army of occupation.

Owing to the high cost of American flour, the supplies sent by the allies to Berlin will not enable the Government to increase the bread ration.

Prominent Democrat Wants More Protection

NEW YORK, March 19.—In a letter reproduced in his New York American today, and William R. Hearst springs one of the first surprises of the 1920 national campaign, by calling for a revival of Protection, as the chief political issue.

Cable News In Tabloid Form

THIS IS A GOOD SIGN
PARIS, March 19.—Chamber of deputies has authorized removal of special fortifications about Paris which were erected shortly after war began.

Eight Steamers Go Out For Food

LONDON, March 19.—Eight German steamers, including the Kaiserin Augusta Victoria, Cleveland, Graf Waldersee and Pretoria, sailed from Hamburg this week for foodstuffs. It is said the crews of the ships made a formal demand that they should not be removed from the vessels during the trip.

Lloyd George Will Remain

PARIS, March 19.—Premier Lloyd George, who was asked by President Wilson, Premier Clemenceau and Premier Orlando to postpone his return to London, has decided to remain in Paris until the drafting of the treaty of peace is completed.

The World's War Bill

UNITED STATES WAR SECRETARY PLACES FIGURE AT 197 BILLIONS
SAN FRANCISCO, March 18.—"The cost of the war in money alone was \$197,000,000,000, or \$11,000,000,000 more than the total property value of all of North America," Secretary of War Newton D. Baker told a gathering at the Commercial Club here today following his arrival with Gen. March, chief of staff, to inspect army posts.

"The deaths from wounds in battle numbered 7,300,000 and the total deaths in all the armies reached 9,000,000," he said.

Referring to the proposed league of nations, Mr. Baker said: "Unless such an organization was formed under some name and under some constitution anarchy bred by disease, hunger and despair would overwhelm the earth."



Showing the area in which a successful offensive is being waged against the Russian Bolshevik forces.

Pichon Intended no Opposition to League

Merely Wondered Whether There Was Sufficient Time.

NEUTRALS ARE TO BE HEARD TOMORROW

PARIS, March 19.—(By William Phillip Simms)—Another "tempest in a teapot" seemed to have blown over today. Further investigation confirmed that Foreign Minister Pichon, in his statement Sunday, intended no opposition to the inclusion of the league of nations in the peace treaty, but merely questioned whether there was sufficient time to perfect the covenant for incorporation in the preliminary pact.

The neutral nations have their opportunity to present recommendations for amendments to the constitution at tomorrow's special meeting and it was believed the covenant would be in shape to state before a preliminary session for open debate by Saturday.

"President Wilson has apparently approved the military and naval conditions contained in the definite treaty with Germany," said the Paris Temps, which usually voices the ideas of the French government.

Thereafter, after the council of ten deliberates on these there is nothing to prevent status in this document. The German delegates will be summoned to the cessation of present armistice and informing them of the new, permanent condition fixing their military status. But only the military problems have been solved in this manner. Political problems have been adjourned.

The question therefore, probably will come up before the council whether or not it is preferable to fix in a permanent diplomatic document Germany's military, political and territorial status. In this document the pact of the league of nations will be included. If this opinion prevails subsequent sessions will be utilized for fixing Germany's frontiers, after which the German delegates will be summoned to Versailles to sign the preliminary treaty.

Japan Wants Racial Equality Established

As a Corollary of Equality of Peoples.

Supreme War Council Met To-day

PARIS, March 19.—(By Fred Ferguson).—The supreme war council was expected to ratify formally to-day the tentative agreement understood to have been reached yesterday on territorial and financial questions of the preliminary peace treaty.

The conference yesterday was attended by Premier Lloyd George, President Wilson and Premier Clemenceau. Italy and Japan were not represented because matters discussed did not directly affect them. The session which lasted from 3 to 3:30 p.m. was described as "satisfactory."

The plan of alternating in the formal meetings of the allied leaders and sessions of the supreme councils was adopted on Sunday as part of the speeding up process. When the council adjourned Monday until to-day it was understood that several matters affecting principally the United States, Great Britain and France would be taken up. The question of both western and eastern frontiers were thoroughly discussed. John W. Davis, representing the United States on the reparations committee; L. P. Loebner, France and Lord Sumner, Great Britain, were called in for a discussion of the financial conditions of the treaty.

The big powers are, it was learned to-day, now in practical agreement regarding the principle of working out financial affairs, namely, that the final bill for reparations must be based on what experts find Germany will be able to pay over a comparatively short period of years.

With the government heads already agreed on this, the basis of fixing of the definite amount of indemnity, it appeared to be a matter of only a few days.

Meanwhile work is also being pushed on the league of nations covenant, which will be incorporated in the preliminary pact. A call was sent to all neutrals to have their recommendations for changes and amendments ready for presentation at a special session of the league's sub-committee to-morrow.

Japan intends to press its position that the covenant, which is designed to establish the equality of peoples, should establish the principle of racial equality.

Was the British Steamer Croja

EAST PORT, Me., March 19.—The British steamer Croja struck an old Proprietor Ledge southeast of Grand Manan, N.B., in a fog last night. Her crew landed on Grand Manan island.

The Quebec referendum will likely be taken on the 10th of April.

The Orange Grand Lodge of Eastern Ontario is meeting at Cornwall.

Will Ascertain Local Needs in Matter of Technical Education

After Hearing Report of Joint Delegation the Collegiate Board Decides to Have Department Representative Come Here. A Public Meeting Will Also be Held.

"Resolved that after hearing the report of the joint committee from the Industrial and High School Boards who have visited London and Windsor, we are more than ever impressed with the necessity for Technical Education and would urge the Kitchener and Waterloo High School Board to make ample provision for this in planning for the proposed new Collegiate buildings. We would further recommend that the Public School Boards provide manual training facilities in their several public schools for pupils attending same."

The foregoing resolution was passed at a joint conference of the Advisory Industrial Committee and the High School Board last evening which preceded the regular meeting of the Board.

As to the next steps to be taken in the investigation as to what is needed in the city in the way of a new technical school, the resolution passed by the High School Board later in the evening told of the same; "That the resolution of the Advisory Industrial Committee be received and adopted and that the Secretary be instructed to write Inspector Houston and Dr. Merckel, that our Board would now be glad to have the officers of the department make a preliminary survey of our industries with a view of recommending definite plans for organization of the work here. Further that a representative meeting be arranged during the presence of the officers of the Department."

Mr. John A. Lang, the Chairman of the Advisory Industrial Committee, when asked what he thought the Board and the Committee should now do, stated that he was of the opinion that they should go ahead with the investigation as to what was wanted here and accept the department's offer to send a man here to ascertain and advise as to what is wanted here.

Chairman Hallman asked for the views of all those who were with the deputation and accordingly each expressed their impressions.

Mr. W.H. Halliwell pointed out that the building of the London Technical School was larger than the Collegiate part. There is accommodation for four hundred students in the day school. The number being small compared to the size of the building but quite a lot of space for the school purposes appeared to be adequate.

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Local Firm Gets an Order From England

Arthur Pequegnat Clock Company Has Order From England

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The order was placed by the well-known English firm of Jung Hans Brothers Limited, through their representative Mr. Baltzer. This well-known house was the sole agents in England for the colonies for the firms whose goods they handled. The war has put a crimp into the former trade channels and they like many others are looking elsewhere for products which they will handle in the future. They have come to this continent in order to make purchases. It is a special well for Mr. Pequegnat's company that they should come here.

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Mr. C.W. Schiedel thought the Committee and the Board should accept the offer of the Department to send a representative here. The advice of an experienced architect in Windsor might also be secured.

Mr. Ed. Weber impressed the fact that the Committee and the Board should first find out what is needed here. He said the matter of an architect is secondary, any architect, once he knew what was wanted could draw the plans. "We must know what the people in these cities want and what is needed. Otherwise we may put up a fine big building and put in an equipment and later find that it is not at all what we require. I would say let us get the views of the people on what they think is needed. We might call a meeting of the manufacturers who are interested. Secure their opinions and find out for what lines of industry provision is wanted."

Mr. Weber said:

M. Lang remarked that it was in order to ascertain this very fact that the Department would send a man here.

Mr. Weber replied: "That is all right as far as it goes, any man could come here and after being here a day, having noticed the leading industries could say we need this or this. I say let us in the city first investigate and decide what we want."

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POSSIBLE CHANGES IN THE QUEBEC CABINET.—The rumour is again revived that Sir Lomer Gouin (on the right of the picture) will leave the Premiership to Ottawa politics. One guess is that he will be succeeded by Hon. M. Tassereau (on the left) and another by Hon. M. A. Galignani (Centre) may become Provincial Premier.