

EXPERTS TO ATTEND PEACE CONFERENCE

Have Conducted Scientific Study
and Have Unrivaled Inter-
national Data.

New York, Dec. 3.—Twenty-three members of an advisory commission of experts who have made a year's study of political and economic conditions in Europe and Asia, will sail with President Wilson and his fellow delegates on the George Washington, it was announced tonight.

With them will go several tons of documents and maps which, together with other records of their investigations already in Paris or on the way, comprise a collection of international data said to be without parallel in history.

These advisers to the peace commission, include experts in international law, college professors, and specialists in the history and politics of various nations, and officers of the military intelligence division of the army.

The investigation, it was said, took the form of "a fact study, conducted in a scientific spirit by specialists and scholars, both American and from various European countries affected by the war," and "in order to give high value to any statement of fact, the inquiry has been entirely independent of any political hypothesis."

During its progress, the announcement said, every important nationality in Europe and western Asia sent representatives here for conference with the commission, and numerous secret documents, together with the texts of treaties signed during the war, which never have been published in full, were assembled. In its final stages, the inquiry was centered on territorial matters, and the members going abroad with the president, with the exception of representatives of the state department, are territorial specialists. Part of the staff in international law, including David H. Miller, chairman of the law committee of the state department, already are in Europe, it was stated.

Specialists on Countries.

Among university professors who are specialists in various countries, are: Charles H. Hasking, dean of the graduate school of Harvard University, specialist on Alsace-Lorraine and Belgium; Clive Day, head of economics department at Yale, specialist on the Balkans; W. E. Lunt, professor of history, Harvard College, specialist on Northern Italy; P. H. Lord, professor of history at Harvard, specialist on Russia and Poland; Charles Seymour, professor of history at Yale, specialist on Austria-Hungary; W. L. Western, professor of history at the University of Wisconsin, specialist on Turkey; G. L. Beer, formerly of Columbia University, specialist on colonial history.

Information gathered by the inquiry has been so carefully classified, indexed and subdivided, the society stated, that it will be instantly available. It includes a history of the war, emphasizing the rights of minority peoples in cosmopolitan populations; international law, with a groundwork of the subject up to date; diplomatic history, including that of the present war; economics, geography, economic and political, phy-

geography, with special attention to strategic frontiers and topographic barriers; cartography (map making from all view points); education and irrigation.

Hundreds of Maps and Books.

In addition to this library the peace commissioners will have at their command hundreds of books and maps from the American Geographical Society, Harvard and Princeton Universities, Harvard College, the library of congress, and the New York Public Library, which have been transported overseas.

Similar inquiries, it was stated, have been in progress abroad, notably in France and England, and there have been frequent conferences between these and the American investigators for delivery of material and interchange of views.

SITUATION IN GERMANY
SERIOUS, SAYS BARTH

Fails to See How Army Can Be
Evacuated in Face of
Coming Winter.

Copenhagen, Dec. 3.—Addressing a great meeting of returned German soldiers at Ems, in Hesse-Nassau, Herr Barth, secretary of the German government, said that the general situation in Germany was serious, according to a Berlin despatch to The Berlin Tidende.

Herr Barth praised the self-discipline of the German troops retreating on the western front, but asserted that the situation of the army in the east was distressing. He added that he could not see how the great mass of troops could be evacuated in view of the coming winter and the hostility of the population.

Secretary Barth hoped the army would not suffer the fate of Napoleon's troops, but declared "Germany is ready to meet the coming dispensation of Providence."

The entente powers, according to a Wolf Bureau despatch from Spa, Belgium, have granted a safe conduct to the German troops in Finland to return home.

MONTREAL FIREMEN HASTY.

Montreal, Dec. 3.—It was stated last night that the members of the Firemen's Union had decided not to wait for the institution of the board of arbitration by Ottawa, but to strike on Wednesday night if they did not get a satisfactory reply from the city administration. A meeting will be held on Wednesday night.

ANXIOUS ABOUT TRAWLERS.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 3.—Anxiety is felt here for the safety of the steam trawlers. Inquiries have been made at Ottawa, but no word has been received from them. Stations on the Great Lakes are sending out wireless messages in an effort to trace the missing vessels.

Follies of the Passing Show—By Mitchell

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HOME DUTY FOR HEROES
Reclaiming waist places

RAILWAY WAR BOARD PLANS TROOP ARRIVALS

Traffic Experts Arrange for Ar-
rivals at Convenient Hour and
Issuing of Bulletins.

Montreal, Dec. 3.—The trouble experienced in Toronto, where trains carrying returned soldiers recently arrived late sometimes in the small hours of the morning, will be avoided in future, the Canadian Railway War Board announces.

It was stated that "the arrangements upon which the board's committee of passenger transportation experts have been engaged since their recent appointment and which are practically completed, provide for the arrival of troops at points of destination at as nearly a convenient hour as possible and for the issuing of bulletins advising friends and relatives when the trains may be expected. However, with such conditions as heavy snow to be dealt with in the terminals or on the right of way, these things cannot always be provided for in advance. The railway can only be asked to do the utmost possible. The board has already arranged that trains will arrive in Toronto between 3 a.m. and 3 p.m., according to the time of their departure from the initial point."

"Trains must be despatched as soon as possible in order to prevent congestion at the landing places. Troops which cannot be run as passenger trains on ordinary schedule, but must be fitted in between the scheduled movements so as not to disrupt the delicate system of calculations upon which all traffic moves."

With the help of the newspaper bulletins will be issued at regular intervals for the advice of those who wish to meet trains.

A circular of instructions states that "station staffs" at destination points should be fully and promptly advised of the expected time of arrival of troop trains, with all particulars available as to the names of steamships from which the passengers come and any other known details. This information should be promptly and regularly posted on station bulletin boards and corrected from time to time as may be necessary. Operators should keep in close touch with the movement of the trains so that the information posted may be up to the minute. Train enquiry clerks should be at all times fully informed in connection with the trains and their movement, and they, as well as other station staff concerned, will be expected to deal courteously and patiently with all enquirers, giving them correctly and clearly the fullest information possible in response to their enquiries."

In the operation of G.P.R. trains, the troop train is to be considered first. In the event of a troop train locomotive breakdown on the road, the locomotive which can be most quickly available, even if taken from a regular passenger train, is to be used to handle the troop train, so that it will incur the least possible delay.

SEE CHARLOTTETOWN TERMINALS.

Charlottetown, Dec. 2.—The railway commission made their first visit to the island today, inspecting the terminals at Charlottetown. They left on their return to the mainland this afternoon. Addressing a meeting of the board of trade, D. B. Hanna, president, remarked on the agricultural capacity of the province, and said the board would give its natural resources special study. He emphasized the point that the board would manage the fourteen-mile system free from political interference.

Two Important Appointments
In National Railways System

Montreal, Dec. 3.—Two important transportation appointments are officially announced. Carlos A. Hayes, now general manager of eastern lines, becomes vice-president in charge of traffic over the entire Canadian National System of railways, and F. P. Brady succeeds Mr. Hayes as general manager of mail lines; Port Arthur, O'Brien and east.

SEAMEN TO CO-OPERATE.

President of U. S. Union Will Leave to Confer With Wilson.

New York, Dec. 3.—With the announced intention of "fully co-operating" with Joseph Havelock Wilson, president of the International Seamen's Union of Great Britain, in matters relating to the welfare of seamen of that country and the United States, Andrew Furuseth, president of the Seamen's Union of America, will sail for Liverpool, Thursday of this week, as a representative of his organization.

CHILE CALLS MORE MEN.

Santiago, Chile, Dec. 3.—El Mercurio announces that the Chilean army of 1917 and 1918, comprising 9000 men, have been called to the colors. Four hundred officers also have been summoned for active duty.

ELEVEN MEN DROWN NEAR DUCK ISLAND

Bow Section of Freighter Found-
ered in Heavy Gale Near
Kingston.

Watertown, N.Y., Dec. 3.—Eleven men, comprising the bow section of the freighter Minola, are believed to have been drowned when that section of the boat went down in Lake Ontario near Duck Island last night in a terrific gale and blizzard.

News of the disaster was brought into Cape Vincent today by the government tug Minerva, which was towing the Minola. The captain of the Michigan reports that within five minutes after the lines parted the Minola foundered. The gale was heavy this morning and no effort could be made to return to the scene of the disaster or send a boat to search for the missing sailors.

The Minola was one of the large freight liners built for the United States shipping board in the upper lakes and towed in sections to Montreal, where the boats are assembled and made ready for ocean traffic. The stern of the Minola safely weathered the storm.

CHARGED WITH MURDER
ON THE HIGH SEAS

New York, Dec. 3.—Captain Fritz Joubert Duquesne, whose career of adventure dates back to the Boer war, when he fought in the Boer army, was held today at the behest of the British authorities to answer to a charge of murder on the high seas. He was accused some time ago of having been responsible for an explosion aboard the British liner Tennyson, in 1916, in which three of the crew were killed.

The British Government took steps to gain custody of him as soon as the criminal authorities here had disposed of a charge against him of making a fraudulent claim for \$30,000 insurance. The British Government complaint against him alleges that his real name is George Fordham and that while in Bahia, Brazil, on Feb. 14, 1916, he caused 16 cases of merchandise, "in which were concealed explosives, to be delivered aboard the Tennyson. These blew up four days later while the ship was at sea, killing three of the crew, it is charged."

SPANISH CABINET
TENDERS RESIGNATION

Madrid, Dec. 3.—The Spanish cabinet has resigned. Internal conditions in Spain and the question of Spain's attitude toward the war have been the cause of numerous ministerial crises in the past two years.

The cabinet which has just resigned was headed by the Marquis de Alhucemas, a Liberal, and friend of the allies, with the Count Romanones as foreign minister. It took office on Nov. 7 in succession to a coalition cabinet under Antonio Maura, in which both Alhucemas and Romanones held portfolios. The Maura cabinet took office last March, succeeding one under the premiership of the Marquis de Alhucemas.

NEW TYPE OF MONOPLANE
PROVES GREAT SUCCESS

Washington, Dec. 3.—Development of a new American type of two-seated monoplane was announced today by the war department in a statement disclosing that in a recent test at Dayton, Ohio, the machine attained a speed of 145 miles an hour with full military load and an altitude of 25,000 feet with two passengers in remarkable time, exceeding the record of any European single-seater combat machine. The plane, known as the Loening, embodies new and original ideas. It weighs about 2400 pounds for take-off and is driven by a 300-horsepower engine.

Halifax Authorities Seek to
Protect Troops From Bootleggers

Halifax, Dec. 3.—Acting on representation made by members of the citizens committee for the reception of returned soldiers that bootleggers plied a thriving trade along the waterfront, following the arrival here last week of the Aquitania, the Halifax Board of Control today decided to petition the department of justice at Ottawa, asking that inquiries be sent for a term of two years be visited upon persons convicted for the first time of selling liquor unlawfully to returned soldiers instead of the fine now exacted of first offenders, without regard to the status of the purchasers.

Passenger Traffic.

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Municipal League at Brantford
Urges Better Class Candidates

Brantford, Dec. 3.—The Brantford Municipal League, which was very active some years ago under the name of the Citizens' League, will be reorganized and a new class of candidates for the civic elections in January next. The program of the league will be adopted at a public meeting to be held next Monday, and it is expected that there will be a league candidate for every vacant position on local boards. The attitude is taken that the sup-

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port of such a league is needed if the business leaders of the city are to be brought into the civic arena.

STEEL WORKERS WANT BOARD.

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—A deputation representing the employees of Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth Co., steel

workers of Longueuil, Que., waited on the minister of labor this morning to discuss the question of establishing a board of conciliation to deal with the dispute between the company and men. The employees have submitted a new schedule of wages to the company, which the latter refuse to consider.

OTTAWA STREET CAR FARES.

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—Judgment was reserved yesterday afternoon in the case of the Ottawa Electric Railway Company's application to the board of railway commissioners for permission to increase its fares on certain lines in the districts outside the city limits.