Turkey Retains Constantinople.

Waterway Right to Black Sea Will be Enlarged -- Opening of Canadian Parliament -- U. S. Senate Accepts Mandate Reservation -- Russian Soviets Want Peace-- St Lawrence Ship Canal Project Does Not Meet American Approval.

FOR THE COMMON END.

LONDON, Feb. 26.

The decision not to oust Turkey from Constantinople was reached by the Allied Supreme Council only after long consideration of the difficulties in the Turkish situation, Premier Lloyd George declared in the House of Commons to-day when the question of the future of Turkey was brought up for debate. The decision, said the Premier, was a balance of advantages and disadvantages, and it was upon this balance and after weighing carefully all the arguments pro and con that the Council concluded that on the whole the better course for achieving the common end was to retain Turkey in the capital on the Bosphorous. Referring to the agreement made early in the war under which Russia was to obtain Constantinople. Mr. Lloyd George said this agreement had ended so far as Russia was concerned by the revolution and the peace of Brest Litovsk. He reiterated his pledge that there would be a "different porter at the gates." However, it would be the height of folly again to trust, he declared, and never again would those gates be closed by the Turks in the face of British ships. The influence which had decided the Peace Conference to retain the Turks in Constantinople, the Premier continued, had come from India. Two peace delegates of India at Paris, neither of whom was a Mohammedan, had declared that unless the Allies retained the Turks in Constantinople, there action would be regarded as a gross breach of faith on the part of the British Empire, the Premier informed the House. Without the aid of India, Lloyd George pointed out, Turkey could not have been conquered, and nothing could be more damaging to British prestige in India than the feeling that Great Britain did not keep her word.

CANADIAN PARLIAMENT OPENED YESTERDAY.

OTTAWA, Feb. 26.

Parliament opened this afternoon in the new buildings, "worthy," as the Governor General expressed it in the Speech from the Throne, "of a people whose national life it will henceforth serve." The Government's legislative programme outlined in the speech from the Throne comprises a bill to provide for Dominion franchise, a bill respecting copyrights, bills providing for amendments of the patent act of loan and trust companies acts, Indian act, and exchequer act, and a bill to ratify the international opium convention. The Speech from the Throne referred to the ratification of the Peace Treaty between the Allied Powers and Germany and the former constitution of the League of Nations, "it is satisfactory to note."

MANDATE RESERVATION ADOPTED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.

By a virtually unanimous vote, the Senate readopted to-day the Republican Peace Treaty Reservation relating to mandates, after Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska had announced on the floor that the Administration would not oppose it. The reservation under which no mandate could be accepted by this country without action of Congress was unopposed on the Democratic side, Senator Hitchcock said, "because it merely recites the clear meaning of the Treaty." It was the first time that the reservation had been adopted with the acquiescence of the Democratic party.

SOVIETS SEEK PEACE.

LONDON, Feb. 26.

The Soviet Commissary of Foreign Affairs has dispatched a note to the United States, Japan and Roumania offering them peace with Soviet Russia, according to a wireless despatch from Moscow, received here to-day.

WORKMEN'S INSURANCE.

LONDON, Feb. 26.

In the House of Commons yesterday the Insurance Bill was read a second time without a division, although a good deal of opposition was shown by the Labor Party. The Bill proposes to extend insurance on a contributory basis to substantially the whole of the employed population between 16 and 70. Industries may contract out by setting up special schemes affording equal or greater benefits. The only important exceptions to its operation are agricultural workers and servants, and in Ireland the Bill applies only to workmen in trades now insured under the existing Acts. The benefits will be fifteen shillings a week for men; twelve shillings a week for women. Employers and employees will make similar contributions, in case of the men three pence and in case of the women two pence halfpenny with the state applying a third.

CAILLAUX'S DEFENCE.

PARIS, Feb. 26.

At his trial yesterday on the charge of having had treasonable dealings with the enemy, former Premier Caillaux forsook the defensive and assumed the offensive, while explaining his activities in Italy, lengthily going over his economic policy, Caillaux said he prophesied that the economic chaos which would obtain at the conclusion of the war and prescribed remedies to be applied. He saw in 1916 what several of the peace delegates had failed to grasp in the situation in 1919. The witness declared, "Never have I sought a separate peace or a peace of compromise," the former Premier said; "I swear to the members of the High Court," Caillaux continued, "that I had not the slightest political aim when I went to Italy. I never had a political aim throughout the war, but several times I had the belief that we must prepare for peace." To the charge that he approached the Vatican with a request that the Central Empires be sounded as to peace, Caillaux replied: "Never have I set foot inside the Vatican in my life. I was in favor of the great offensive in the spring of 1917, but I always held that it must be conducted with the utmost energy or otherwise it would fail. I am still convinced that had the offensive been pushed with all possible means at our command we would have been successful and achieved a victorious peace."

WIRELESS TELEPHONY.

QUEBEC, Feb. 26.

Wireless telephonic conversation between Quebec and Montreal was held on Tuesday from the Marconi wireless station on the Quebec Citadel and the Montreal office of the Company. The test was a complete success and is the longest wireless communication recorded in Canada.

GAS ONLY IN RETALIATION.

LONDON, Feb. 26.

In reply to a question, it was stated in the House of Commons last night on behalf of the Government that it was not proposed to use gas against Indian frontier tribes except in retaliation.

OKLAHOMA AND SUFFRAGE.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 26.

The Oklahoma House passed a joint resolution ratifying the Federal Woman Suffrage amendment after nearly six hours debate by a vote of 74 to 14.

CHAUVINISM OR SINCERITY, WHICH?

ALBANY, N.Y., Feb. 26.

Warning against the St. Lawrence Ship Canal project as aiding Canadian ports to the detriment of those in the State of New York, will be contained in the annual report to the Legislature of Edward S. Walsh, Supt. of Public Works. The greatest danger in the St. Lawrence project, the report will say, lies in the possibility that large lake vessels might ply to Montreal, passing Buffalo, and thus diverting the commerce of the great lakes to a Canadian port. The report will declare that the State Barge Canal is adequate to the needs of the Commerce of several coming generations. It will add that no benefits may be derived from it, so long as public interest is diverted from it and public enthusiasm chilled by the injection of chimerical schemes designed wholly to discredit the system, to discourage its use, and having their inception with interests which have every reason to fear the effects of its successful operation. It will say further that the state of New York in the protection of its waterway investment of commerce of the port of New York must take vigorous action, opposing any further movement in Congress that has for its purpose the appropriation of funds from the treasury of the United States for the development of an international waterway competitive with its canal system.

WILSON GETS SPEEDY REPLY.

LONDON, Feb. 26.

The Allied Supreme Council to-night despatched to Washington its answer to the note of President Wilson on the Adriatic question, received yesterday. The reply was completed during to-day's session of the Council.

TELEGRAM STAFF-MEN SICK.—Some six members of the Telegram Staff-managerial and technical are at present confined to their homes, suffering from colds.

Land Inspector Gains 20 Pounds in a Short Time

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"Well, sir, you can believe it or not, but I have gained twenty pounds in the past six weeks," said R. D. Hales, Land Inspector, 312 Silver St., Sturgeon's Creek, Manitoba, in a conversation with a Tanlac representative a few days ago.

"For years and years before I commenced taking Tanlac I had been in bad health and hardly saw a day that was free from pain and suffering," continued Mr. Hales. "My stomach was all out of order and what I ate would sour and settle into a lump in my chest and burn like a ball of fire. I had lumbago of the worst sort and if I stooped over and tried to straighten up again, the pains were so severe I just seemed to be wrenching every muscle in my back. I had rheumatism all through my arms, legs and feet and every joint in my body ached. My feet would swell so that I could hardly get my shoes on and my legs pained me until it was all I could do to walk. My joints would stiffen and hurt so bad it was agony if I tried to bend my arms and legs. I was subject to awful headache spells, I lost weight and strength and, in fact, I was in misery all day long. I hardly knew what a night's rest was for I would lie wide awake for hours with every joint and muscle aching no matter what position I lay in.

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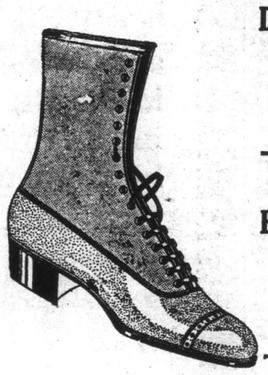

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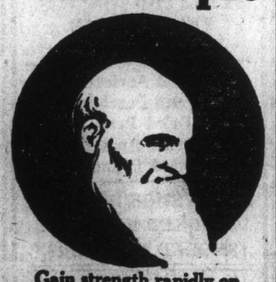

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B. I. S. Meeting.

With President W. J. Higgins, K.C., in the chair, the adjourned annual meeting of the B.I.S. was held last night. Of the thirty nominated at the previous meeting, the following fifteen were elected to form the Literary and Amusement Committee:—Messrs. M. J. Savage, J. Burton, P. F. Moore, Jos. Rawlins, J. B. Channing, D. J. French, W. J. Harris, T. J. Barron, Jno. Moore, T. P. Halley, E. J. Ring, C. J. Merner, W. F. Kelly, W. Hearn and W. Grace. The "count" was conducted by Messrs. J. C. Pippy, A. Doyle, M. J. Kean, J. O'N. Conroy, T. J. Ring, R. Alsop and J. Burton. Arrangements as to St. Patrick's Day parade were also made. The Society will meet at 9.15 and proceed via Theatre Hill, New Gower, Hamilton and Patrick Streets to St. Patrick's Church to attend Mass. The panegyric will be delivered by Rev. Fr. Connor, C.M. After Mass the usual visits will be paid at St. Patrick's Presbytery and Government House, the route of march to the latter being via Water and Cochrane Streets. His Excellency the Governor and His Grace the Archbishop have extended their patronage to the performances to be given St. Patrick's afternoon and night by the B.I.S. Dramatic Club.

Following the meeting the annual sale of papers was held, Councillor Mullaly acting as auctioneer. Mr. J. L. Barron, LL.B. being secretary.

EAGLE ON DOCK.—S. S. Eagle is on dry dock, having extensive repairs made, preparatory to engaging in the seal fishery. Her bows were damaged below the water line in her recent trip north and it will be some days before she will be completed.

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Prosecuting Dope Vendors.

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