

Italy Wants Fiume.

Critical Situation Created By Her Demand—France Insists on Line of Rhine River.

AN ITALIAN THREAT.

PARIS, March 21. The Italian delegation to the Peace Conference has unanimously decided to withdraw from the Conference unless Fiume is assigned to Italy, contemporaneously with the conclusion of peace.

THE RHINE THE KEYSTONE.

PARIS, March 21. (Havas.)—The Rhine is our only line of defence. I do not demand an armistice, but if we do not secure that armistice frontier we will have fought in vain. This statement was made by Marshal Foch in an interview in the Matin to-day in discussing the last days of the war. The Marshal said, "It was the wonderful soldiers who gave us victory. My only merit was to have had faith and never to have wavered. We signed the armistice in spite of the certainty of crushing the German armies to avoid killing more men and because it gave us everything necessary to a French victory."

RECEIVED FAVORABLY.

LONDON, March 21. The representatives of the miners at a meeting last night discussed the coal commission, but no decision was reached. It was stated, however, that the Sankey report created a favorable impression as a business-like document, and the general view is that a three-fold strike has been averted. The transport workers claim a notable victory, and it is believed the Government is meeting both the miners and the railway men in a spirit which promises a peaceful settlement.

REPARATION CLAIMS.

PARIS, March 21. Further information regarding the Conference here yesterday between Premier Lloyd George and Clemenceau and President Wilson became available to-day. Concerning the rejection of the Allied reparation claims against Germany to about forty billion dollars, it was learned that the proposal was to spread the payment over forty years. On this basis the principle with interest would amount to eighty billion dollars as the utmost that can be expected. A serious division of opinion exists over the allotment of damages among the Allied Powers. The French claim priority for the destruction of invaded regions, while the British insist on an allotment on the basis of war costs. It is generally conceded that France has suffered the largest material loss, while Great Britain has supposed the largest burden of taxation on her people. The United States has put in a maximum claim for loss of life and property during the war, aggregating a little less than a billion dollars.

PEACE IN A MONTH.

PARIS, March 21. When informed of a statement by Colonel House to British newspapers last night that the Germans were expected at Versailles in the next few days, other week and it will be about right.

GERMAN SAILORS REFUSED TO MAN SHIPS.

PARIS, March 21. (Havas.)—A semi-official German note explaining the reason for breaking off negotiations at Posen, says it has been impossible to reach an agreement, especially regarding the

Presidency of the Commission, controlling the situation there. The Germans say they are considering the appointment of a President by Pope Benedict, while the Entente nations desire the permanent inter-Allied armistice commission to name the presiding officer. The Supreme Council will consider the Posen situation to-day, and will take up measures to be carried out against the Germans, to bring about a cessation of hostilities in the province of Posen.

SWISS TO USE RHINE.

PARIS, March 19. (A.P.)—The commission on international waterways, ports and railroads of the Peace Conference has decided to recommend to the conference that Switzerland should be given the navigating facilities on the Rhine river, which she has made demands.

AMENDING TREATY.

PARIS, March 19. (A.P.)—The military terms of the treaty of peace have been amended by the elimination of the clause providing for the control of Germany's armament for an indefinite period. Admiral Benson of the United States Navy pointed out that the original terms committed the United States to a virtual indefinite occupation of Germany, and it was chiefly on his insistence that the terms were modified. It was also pointed out that control of any portion of Germany for such a period would delay the return home of American troops and would amount to annulling of sovereignty of Germany. As amended the terms provide for control through the time fixed for the delivery of materials of war guns and ships, but not through the period during which the war damages will be paid by Germany.

OTHER AMENDMENTS.

PARIS, March 21. Among the amendments to the Covenant of the League of Nations suggested at the meeting of neutrals yesterday, were several which urged an increase in the number of secondary countries admitted to the Executive Council of the League, the reduction of armaments and the control of munitions manufactures.

SINN FEINERS SECURE RIFLES.

DUBLIN, March 21. The biggest raid by Sinn Feiners to secure arms which has as yet been recorded, took place yesterday morning at the air-drome, near Santry, six miles from here, when Sinn Feiners numbering nearly forty overpowered the soldiers on guard and seized 80 service rifles. There were only three sentries on duty and eight more soldiers were resting in a guard hut.

WHERE DO THEY STAND?

BASLE, March 21. The President of the German armistice commission at Spa, has presented a note to the inter-Allied delegates asking if Germany should consider as true a statement in the French and British press, that the Treaty would be ready for the signature as soon as President Wilson agreed, but that Germans would allowed neither to discuss nor modify the documents, according to Berlin advice.

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BERLIN, March 21. (Via Copenhagen.)—The German

steamers which were scheduled to sail on March 18, in accordance with the agreement reached at Brussels between German and inter-Allied food commissions have been prevented from sailing from Hamburg, owing to a resolution passed by seamen there refusing to operate ships demanded by the Entente nations.

WONDER IF THEY ARE GENUINE.

BERLIN, March 21. The address of homage circulated on the occasion of the former Emperor's birthday received 436,912 signatures. It is announced the address and signatures will be bound in a series of thirty-seven volumes and sent to Amerongen.

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Who Can Tell?

Editor Evening Telegram. Dear Sir,—A few days ago I came across a book of prophecies by one Richard Brothers, of Placentia, Nfld. Can any of your readers tell us anything about this remarkable person? Perhaps Rev. Canon Smith would kindly give us some information on this subject.

Yours etc., N.F.L.D. March 21, 1919.

Ashamed of Home.

Towns can be ashamed of as well as men and women.

The capital of Russia suddenly felt ashamed of its German-sounding name, Petersburg, called in the west Saint Petersburg, and decided to use its Slav equivalent, and with surprising ease the world has grown accustomed to calling it Petrograd.

Some years ago Southend suddenly grew ashamed of its name, which appeared to smack of cockles and wrinkles and the coster's barrow, when it wanted to be aristocratic. Just in the nick of time came the development of Westcliff, quite a swanky suburb for despised East End-ridden Southend. But to-day the Thames watering place has ceased to be snobbish, and is glad it stuck to its old appropriate name.

Slough had a similar experience. Perhaps its good people thought of the Pilgrim's Progress and the Slough of Despond! Perhaps they worried because strangers bagged over the pronunciation, and called it "Slow" and "Slo." So that as it may, it was seriously proposed to re-christen the town Upton Royal. However, acting on its motto, "Slough and sure," the suggestion was shelved.

But the most curious case was Rugby. Through no fault of his own, the town was connected, with the convict Palmer, and the good people, thinking an everlasting stain was upon the old name, wrote to the Government proposing they should find a new name. It was then that Lord Palmerston made the suggestion which made all England laugh—namely, that they should call their town after him.

Just before the war Pudey, in Yorkshire, wished to change its name, because so many people were consigned there instead of the other place. It did not come off, and Tykes are still told to "Go to Pudey."

New Odd Fellows Lodge

"COLONIAL" NO. 125.

Last night marked a new era in the development of the great order of Oddfellowship, in this country, in the institution of the above Lodge in this city. The Initiating Officer was Bro. W. T. Quick, P.G., assisted by Bro. Chas. Gille, Grand Secretary; Bro. Simon Butler, Grand Treasurer; Bro. J. C. Phillips, Grand Marshal; Bro. Duncan Cook, Grand Warden; Bro. Robt. Young, Chaplain. Thirty-one charter members were called forward by Bro. Quick, and after due examination and instruction were presented with their Dispensation. Immediately after institution the new Lodge was called upon by the Initiating Officer to elect their officers, and after election the installation was proceeded with. The following are the officers for the term ending December 31st, 1919:—

I. P. G.—Bro. H. M. Mosdell.
N. G.—Bro. F. Gordon Bradley.
V. G.—Bro. H. C. Carey.
R. Sec.—Bro. Edwin Ebsary.
F. Sec.—Bro. Isaac Sparkes.
Treas.—Bro. Alan Clarke.
Warden—Bro. Phillip Dwyer.
Conductor—Bro. Dr. Herbert Rendell.
Chaplain—Bro. Jackson Roberts.
R. S. S.—Bro. Maxwell Colton.
L. S. S.—Bro. Fred. J. Searle.
I. G.—Bro. R. G. Silverlock.
O. G.—Bro. J. Johnston.
R. S. N. G.—Bro. G. W. R. Hierarchy, P. J.
L. S. N. G. Bro. G. R. R. Parsons, P. G.

R. S. V. G.—Bro. Roy Scott.
I. S. V. G.—Bro. David Johnston.

After installation the Noble Grand thanked Bro Quick and his assistants, for their services so excellently performed, and extended to them and their Lodge, the greetings of Colonial Lodge, and an invitation to be present at future meetings.

The personnel of the Lodge is a strong one, and its success is assured from the start, as both officers and 3rd degree members possess in a marked degree the ability and energy which make success certain.

Fat and Famous.

Mr. Taft, an ex-President of the U. S. A., is mentioned as President Wilson's successor at the board of the Peace Conference. He is probably the stoutest man in public life; at any rate, the stoutest man with an international reputation.

Fate and fame have not very often been combined, perhaps because stout men are generally inclined to be easy-going, and therefore lacking in that push which brings a man to the fore. The only great statesman one can recall who was really a fat man was Charles James Fox, as can be seen by his effigy in the Palace of Westminster, where he would make three of his great rival, Pitt the younger.

The only fat poet one can recall is Jamie Thomson, the author of "The Seasons." He was a comfortable, lazy slovenly man, of whom it is related that he would eat peaches off the wall, not taking the trouble to take his hands out of his pockets to pluck them. Yet, despite his lazy disposition, he managed to write one of the longest of English poems, as well as "The Castle of Indolence"—a castle in which he habitually dwelt.

Mr. G. Chesterton, one of the stoutest of living celebrities, has on more than one occasion made up in the character of the Sage of Fleet Street with most excellent success. It is a little remarkable, too, that one of his closest friends, Mr. Hilaire Belloc, is almost as famous for his bulk as he is for his criticism of military operations, his poetry, his history, and his fiction.

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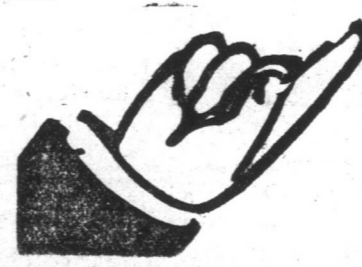
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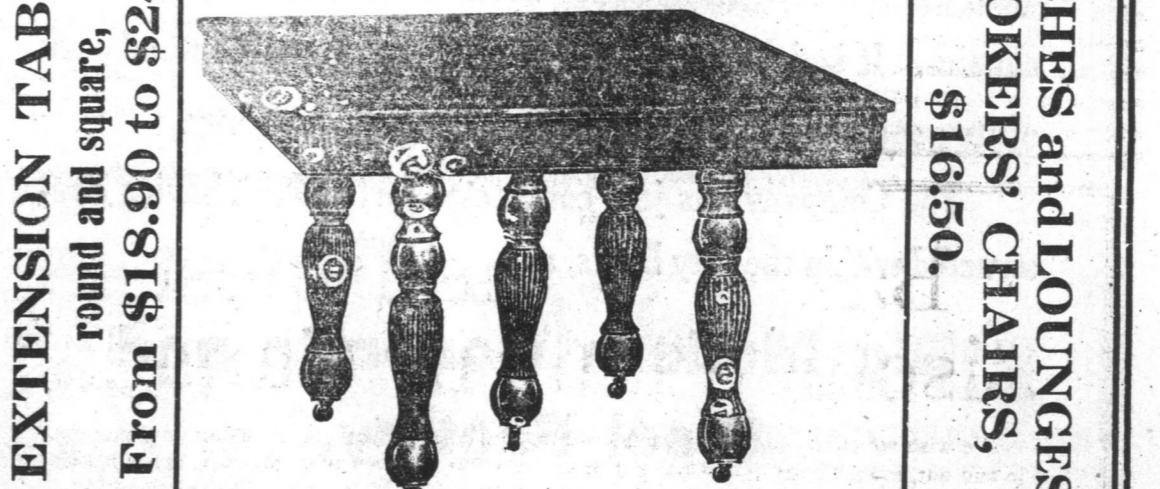
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