

## WILSON'S REPLY ALMOST READY

Washington Does Not Regard Situation Acute

Answer to Allies May Go Forward Today — French Political Writer Summarizes the Situation re Adriatic Business.

Washington, Feb. 21.—With President Wilson's reply to the note of the Allied premier on the Adriatic question almost ready for dispatch, officials here have little doubt that the situation is acute, nor do they expect that negotiations will take such a turn that the United States would be forced to consider whether or not it could become a party to the treaty of Versailles. The reply may go forward today. Acting Secretary Polk will send it to the White House for final approval, after which it will be coded for transmission.

Paris, Feb. 21.—(Havas)—Premier Millerand discussed negotiations at London before the foreign affairs committee of the chamber of deputies yesterday and read to the committee the supreme allied council's answer to President Wilson regarding the Adriatic. He outlined the principal features of his policy toward the Adriatic, giving details of the situation in Asia Minor.

PARIS WRITER SUMMARIZES IT.  
Paris, Feb. 21.—John W. Davis, United States ambassador to London, last night spoke in London of "certain instructions" he had received from President Wilson, although the president's note to the supreme allied council has not yet arrived at the British capital, says "Petit Journal," political editor of the Echo de Paris.

"In order properly to follow the course of events," he writes, "it should be known that the note received by the council from President Wilson on Feb. 18 was in answer to a statement sent to the state department in Washington on Jan. 24, by Earl Curzon, British secretary of state for foreign affairs. Hugh C. Wallace, American ambassador to France, attended the meetings of the supreme council in this city last month, and, in the name of his government, expressed formal reservations in regard to the demand sent to Belgrade on Jan. 20. On that occasion, speaking as much in regard to Turkey as to the Adriatic, he said: 'You are going much too far and much too fast. President Wilson cannot follow you.'"

"Earl Curzon then drafted his note, which was intended to calm Mr. Wilson's anxiety, assure him that the government of France would be shown his views, and that Ambassador Wallace would be kept fully informed. Apparently, President Wilson felt these soft words would not be enough. It can be seen from the blue Feb. 18 was not a bolt from the blue.

"Knowledge of certain facts may also throw light on Mr. Wilson's probable policy relative to Turkish affairs. In October, the American president formally asked the conference to postpone drafting the Turkish treaty until Spring. He hoped, if the conference agreed to his demand, to be able to join in the task. Rapid developments in the Near Eastern situation, however, prevented compliance with his wishes. It means nothing, therefore, that Mr. Wilson will ratify all that has been elaborated without him."

In one of the last meetings of the supreme council it was decided that, before the treaty was communicated to the Turks, it would be submitted for approval to our great associates.

"What will he do? In whatever way one looks at it, the work done in Downing street seems more or less threatened, as a word from Mr. Wilson may reduce to nothing the important conversations that have been going on. The arrival of Premier Millerand in London on Sunday night will mark a decisive moment."

Notice of Births, Marriages and Deaths, 50 cents

## DEATHS

BISHOP—Suddenly, on the 21st inst., Mary Josephine, wife of Clarence S. Bishop, leaving her husband, one child, mother and two brothers to mourn. Funeral, Sunday morning.

PAIKS—Suddenly, in Boston, on the 18th inst., Margaret E., daughter of Mrs. L. D. Parks, 100 Elm street, this city, leaving her mother, two sisters and three brothers to mourn.

WILLIAMS—At West St. John, on February 20, after a short illness, Anna Helen, wife of Harold B. Williams, and only daughter of the late E. L. and M. A. Strange, leaving a loving husband, mother and four brothers to mourn. Funeral from her mother's home, 155 Guilford street, West End, on Sunday. Service at 1:45. Private funeral 2:15.

EWING—In this city on February 20, Dorothy Mabel, eldest daughter of George K. and E. May Ewings, aged twenty-two years.

Funeral on Monday, the 22nd inst. Service at 2:30 p.m.

KELLEY—On February 19, at his parents' residence, 30 Clarence street, Wilfred Lloyd Kelley, aged five months. Funeral Saturday afternoon at 2:30. Service at 1:45. Private funeral 2:15.

EVANS—In this city on the 21st inst., Captain George Edward Evans, leaving four daughters and three sons to mourn. Funeral Monday at 2:30 p.m. from 83 Seely street.

## CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Treacraft wish to thank their friends for kindness and sympathy shown them in their recent sad bereavement and for those who sent flowers.

Mrs. S. W. Scrimmer and family wish to thank their many friends for kindness shown in their recent sad bereavement.

Mrs. George Northrup and family wish to thank all relatives, friends and ladies for kindness and sympathy received in their recent sad bereavement, also for floral tributes.

## STOCK IS FAST MOVING OUT

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Miss Margaret Daley Returns After Extended Trip  
Miss Margaret Daley, buyer for the Women's Shop, Oak Hall, has just returned after a three weeks' trip to New York, Toronto and Montreal.

While in New York Miss Daley visited all the new spring showings and, although her buying was naturally very limited there, she carried away many novel ideas, and these she was able to use to considerable advantage when placing large orders with Canadian manufacturers.

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THE GERMAN DIPLOMAT PRESENTED

Was at Deschanel Reception at the Elysee Palace—A Word About "Respect for Treaties."

Paris, Feb. 21.—(Havas)—For the first time since the resumption of diplomatic relations between France and Germany, Dr. Wilhelm Meyer, the German chargé d'affaires, was presented yesterday at a reception to the diplomatic corps at the Elysee Palace.

Baron Matsui, the Japanese ambassador, speaking on behalf of the diplomatic corps, expressed its ardent wish for the restoration of peace and its efforts to re-establish peace and bring back an era of tranquility and respect for treaties.

President Deschanel has received telegrams from the heads of nearly all the governments congratulating him on the assumption of the presidency.

It is rather in its significance on the political situation that the session will arouse special interest. The future of the union government, its leadership and the formation of its policy, these are the questions most under discussion by the advance guard of members. When the Unionist members meet in caucus, the question of policy and leadership will come up for discussion. Mr. Meighen's Winnipeg speech is interpreted as implying that, once the programme is adopted, a vigorous campaign will be opened in support of it. So far as least Sir Robert Borden will be back in Ottawa all ill for the session on an early date. Reports that he left a provisional resignation behind him have been current for some time, although before he left, Sir Robert made it clear that, should his health permit, he would again resume active leadership. Reports to hand are that his health is considerably improved but that a prolonged rest will be necessary before he could resume his work at Ottawa. There is, therefore, uncertainty over what course of action Sir Robert will eventually decide to take.

## THE MATTER OF POLITICS CHIEF

Over-rides Interest in Forthcoming Legislation

Speech From Throne at Ottawa Now Being Prepared—Members Discussing Possibilities as to Union Government and Leader.

(Canadian Press)  
Ottawa, Feb. 21.—The speech from the throne will be under consideration by the cabinet. Its outline of the government's legislative programme for the session of parliament which will open on Thursday, as is the usual custom, will not be made public until the opening day; but so far as can be ascertained, a franchise bill and possibly a bill to provide for some measure of naval defence are the only measures forecast in the speech from the throne, which are likely to arouse wide controversy.

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## CALLS ON FRANCE TO MAKE READY HER AIR FLEET

Paris, Feb. 21.—Pleas that "something be done for French aviation," which is described to be in a state of paralysis, are made by the newspaper Liberte, which asserts that the next war will be won or lost through the state of efficiency attained by air forces in peace times. It is argued that the commercial airplane should be capable of being transformed into a war machine in the shortest possible period of time and that the country should have enough civil aviators to put into the field a powerful fleet of planes during the first days of any conflict. Such a fleet would have a tremendous advantage, it is declared, in bombing towns and points of strategic importance.

The newspaper states that Great Britain has appropriated £15,000,000 sterling for its air service, £2,000,000 being for civil aviation.

PRESIDENT OF UNDERWRITERS DINNER GUEST

Address of Interest on Life Insurance Given at Luncheon at Bond's.

E. S. Miller of Regina, president of the Underwriters' Association of Canada, and George H. Hunt, superintendent of agencies for the Imperial Life Insurance Company, were the guests of the Life Underwriters' Association of New Brunswick at luncheon at Bond's today at 1 o'clock. About seventy-five members were present, including several from out of town points. After luncheon, addresses were delivered by

Mr. Miller spoke on the matter of life insurance from the standpoint both of the insured and the agent and the leading which the underwriters' association had, on both. He said that he was pleased to announce that in 1919 every company in New Brunswick had made gains in new business. He attributed this to the deflation of the real estate boom in the west, economy preached by the successful Victory Loans, and the losses by war and the influenza epidemic which had taught the people the necessity for being prepared.

In 1918, he said, the Life Underwriters' Association of Canada and the United States had paid in death claims \$1,164,000,000, yet the per capita insurance carried in the United States was only \$807, and in Canada \$225. In the United States, insurance had decreased 10 per cent, while in Canada it had increased 10 per cent. The speaker referred to the principles which he would be maintaining by honesty, integrity, faithful employees of their companies and servants of the people.

In point of magnitude, he said, life insurance was one of the three greatest businesses of the world, if not the world, in respect of service to mankind. It took second place to none. He said that the value of the world's life insurance was \$1,000,000,000,000. The speaker referred to the principles which he would be maintaining by honesty, integrity, faithful employees of their companies and servants of the people.

Not Likely to Have World Fair  
Montreal Committee Told They Should Have \$20,000,000 to Finance It.

(Canadian Press)  
Montreal, Feb. 21.—Prospects of a world's fair for Montreal are very dim, judging by statements expressed by members of a committee charged with studying the project at a meeting yesterday. The committee, headed by C. A. Hewitt, president of the Life Underwriters' Association of New Brunswick, met at the Hotel Windsor.

The speakers were E. S. Miller, Geo. H. Hunt, former secretary of the L. U. C. and Mayor Hayes. There were also E. C. Girvan and F. J. Punter, and a resolution by D. S. Robillard, nearly all of which were in favour of the project, was pronounced.

PERSONALS  
Many friends will regret to hear that Shore Captain McGiffin of the C. P. O. S. is quite seriously ill at his home in West St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Thompson have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mary Thompson, to Mr. George Croucher of Halifax. The wedding will take place at an early date in Montreal.

E. S. Crawford, formerly connected with the Bank of Nova Scotia in St. John, and lately manager of the bank's branch at St. John, Porto Rico, is in town on a holiday. He will return to St. John soon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Baird are to leave Fredericton next week on a two months' trip to the Pacific coast.

Mrs. John Morrison, of Fredericton, who fell and broke her leg in Quebec late last fall, was confined to the hospital two weeks ago and is now at the Chateau Frontenac and expects to return home in a week's time.

Mrs. E. Carleton Brown has arrived in the city to join her husband, who is purchasing agent for the C.P.O.S. Mr. Brown will remain here for the balance of the winter.

G. F. G. BRIDGES IS U.N.B. TEAM CAPTAIN  
Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 21.—Clarence B. Bridges resigned as captain of the U. N. B. basketball team yesterday. He said he was unable to play on account of his physical condition, resulting from war wounds. G. F. G. Bridges was elected captain. He was a member of the U. N. B. in 1916 and 1917 and was lately chosen Rhodes scholar from New Brunswick.

THE CANNERS' CASE.  
Ottawa, Feb. 21.—(By Canadian Press).—The case of the Canadian Canners Ltd., Toronto, have formed a combine which is operating to the detriment of and against the public interest, the board of commerce has called a meeting at Toronto on March 22, to deal with the matter.

Deny Revolution Reports.  
London, Feb. 21.—The Italian embassy yesterday declared that the reports that there were revolutionary movements in the Liguria, Neapolitan and Turin districts were absolutely unfounded. The embassy issued a warning that such reports were being spread with "financial motives."

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Local News of Forward Movement  
The following telegram has been received from Bishop Richardson:

"Please convey to the members of the Church of England in the diocese my thanks for the letter of the 19th inst. and for the magnificent response to the appeal of the Forward Movement. I trust that Sunday will be a day of thanksgiving to God in every parish of the diocese."

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The total for the diocese on Friday evening was \$112,470.83, made up as follows:

Methodist  
Latest reports from the St. John Methodist district are as follows:

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Queen Square ..... \$ 5,000  
Newtown ..... 10,000  
Exmouth ..... 3,500  
Portland Street ..... 4,500  
Carmichael ..... 2,500  
Zion ..... 1,000  
Fairview ..... 1,500  
Silver Falls ..... 1,000  
Sussex ..... 1,750  
Newtown ..... 1,000  
Apoahqui ..... 1,000  
Springfield ..... 1,000  
St. Martins ..... 800  
Jerusalem ..... 1,000  
Westfield ..... 1,500  
Long Reach ..... 1,000

CONDENSED NEWS  
The Lethbridge government has decided to open peace negotiations with the Russian Bolsheviks in conjunction, if possible, with Finland and Poland, according to a statement issued at the Lethbridge office in London.

SAY THEY WILL CLOSE CIGARETTE FACTORY  
Dresden, Feb. 21.—Employees in the cigarette factory here have been notified that work in the establishment will cease on March 8. Meanwhile an effort is being made to obtain the lowering of the government tax of 75 per cent on tobacco. Other manufacturers are threatening to join the lockout.

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Boston, Feb. 21.—The presence of large icebergs and floes off the Nova Scotian coast and in the path of trans-Atlantic shipping was reported by the British steamer Ardmore in a wireless despatch given out here today.

POWER TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF LABOR.  
Boston, Feb. 21.—The Massachusetts House of Representatives yesterday adopted a resolution favoring a federal amendment which would give congress power to regulate hours of labor.

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Bern, Feb. 21.—Switzerland has decided to deliver to Austria immediately several hundred cars of foodstuffs, composed principally of dry vegetables and oats. The shipment will be valued at about 6,000,000 francs and a short delay will be granted Austria to pay for it.

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