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HARDING SATISFIED WITH WORK OF THE DELEGATES

In Formal Statement Declared That Difference of Interpretation Which Have Arisen Over Four-Power Pacific Treaty Are to His Mind Unimportant — Charge That U. S. Delegation is Withholding Information Was Unjustified.

Washington, Dec. 23.—President Harding, in a formal statement today declared that the differences of interpretation which have arisen over the Four-Power Pacific Treaty, are, to his mind, "unimportant." Declaring that an unjustified effort had been made to magnify the difference of view with the American delegation regarding the treaty, the President asserted that he was "more than satisfied" with the work of the delegates, and that they had his full confidence.

He also asserted that an unjustified charge had been made that the United States delegation is "withholding information," and that he could not permit such a charge to be unchallenged.

The President's statement, which was delivered orally and then formally given out, follows:

"The President will offer no comment on the disputes which attempt to magnify the difference of view with the American delegation regarding the treaty. To him these are unimportant. The big things which are important are the peace and the preservation of peace which are to be maintained.

"No alliance or entanglement, thought of, or sought to be negotiated, it would be better to justice over things accomplished than to dwell on differing views which can be of no great consequence."

"The President is gratified that the United States delegates are withholding information shall go unchallenged. He has full confidence, also he has not chosen them, and he has full confidence now and more than gratified over their efforts, because they are working out the greatest contribution to peace and goodwill which has ever marked the Christmas time in all the Christmas era."

"It is one thing to talk about the peace, but the bigger thing is to seek the actuality. This the Conference is doing, in harmony with an overwhelming American sentiment, and a world sentiment, too, in full accord with cherished American traditions."

Great Work Being Done

Regarding to the question: "Do you feel that the world has made great progress in the direction of peace and goodwill?" President Harding said:

"I think I made some such reply to a similar question at the last interview. I do think so. I believe it with all my heart, I do not say that with the thought of arrogating to the United States of America any greater part of the contribution than that which has

been made by other nations of the importance and the civilization. But it seems to me that in 1921, as we have come to know more fully the aftermath of the war, as we have come to appraise the unspeakable cost of it all, there is a new conviction in the hearts of men that that sort of appeal to arms is a futile thing and that we are unworthy of our position, and unworthy of the blessings which fall to a righteous civilization, if we do not find some means for a righteous adjustment without appeal to slaughter and waste and all the distresses that attend. I think that conviction has rooted itself throughout the world, and there must come some helpful, progressive expression of it. I think that expression is being given at this conference. I have no thought to speak on this subject today, but make your own applications, please.

Settle Things Face to Face.

"When men sit about the conference table and look each other in the face, and look upon the problems dealt with, without weapons, they find the way to come to an agreement. And after all, there has never been a conflict in the world that has not been settled in the end in that way. You have a war, you destroy thousands of millions of men and measureless treasure, and then you gather about a table and settle it. I have a feeling that mankind has become wise enough to sit down before the war and try to settle it. And that is the object of our four-party treaty. That is why I say the small lack of agreement in constructing it is not significant."

"Why, if there was a menace of peace in Japan, what objection could be there for the United States to sit down with her friend in the Orient, and with the other great powers discuss how the matter could be adjusted. If someone had done that when Austria was threatening Serbia, there would have been no European war. The whole purpose of this conference is to provide some means where just, thoughtful, righteous people, who are not seeking to seize something which does not belong to them, can live peacefully together and eliminate causes of conflict. This is in the American heart, and it is in the British heart, and it is in the Japanese heart, and it is in the Italian heart—it is everywhere in the world."

"If this present-day civilization cannot take advantage of this new realization, of that emphasized conviction, I would not give much for the civilization of the future. But there is a new spirit seeking and impelling peace, and it must add to our Christmas happiness."

Cairo Bristled With Police And Troops Friday Night

Airplanes Cirled Over Nile Following Disturbances Caused by Arrest of Nationalist Leader.

Cairo, Egypt, Dec. 23.—Cairo bristled with police and troops tonight, and airplanes circled over the Delta of the Nile, following disturbances in connection with the forcible removal of Said Saadallah Pasha, a nationalist leader, by the authorities to Saadallah today. His removal came as a result of his refusal to obey an order issued by the military authorities that he and his chief followers cease all political activity and leave Cairo.

Although much wanted destruction occurred during the disturbances the authorities claim that the incident is relatively unimportant and that the situation need not be regarded with particular anxiety. The disturbances appear to have been confined to Cairo and reports tonight were that everything was quiet in the neighboring provinces.

Six of Saadallah's supporters were arrested on the charge of refusing to obey the same order to return to their home villages. Two demonstrators were killed during the disturbances by rifle shots.

Sentenced To Hang When Convicted of Criminal Assault

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 23.—Leroy Williams, a negro, was today convicted of criminal assault and sentenced to be hanged March 3 next. The shooting of Deputy Sheriff W. W. Ferguson, wife of a Charleston coal operator, was attacked and beaten, and then thrown into an open fire place by a man whom she later identified by Williams. She persistently

Americans Raided Turkey Districts of Canada

The Demand from New York Markets Kept Prices Up in Dominion.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—There has been a raid on the turkey districts of Eastern and Western Ontario to supply the demand of New York markets, principally New York and Buffalo. This is the explanation of the advance in prices within the past few days. Six weeks ago in the Maritime and Northern Ontario sections, turkeys sold live weight at 30 to 32 cents a pound, and at other Ontario points at 25 to 28 cents. Ten days ago the price advanced to 45 cents for good birds, and jumped again this week to 44 cents at buying centers. More poultry has been shown this Christmas, and particularly turkeys, than for some years past. Poultry commission men at country points say there is a firmness in turkeys at 45 and 70 cents a pound.

Acrobatic Tricks Prohibited in Moving Airplanes

Entering or Leaving Machine While in Flight Banned by New Air Regulations.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—(Canadian Press)—Acrobatic tricks involving entering or leaving an aeroplane while in flight are barred out under a new clause which has been added to the air regulations. The clause reads as follows:

"No person shall enter or attempt to enter any aircraft in flight, or leave or attempt to leave any aircraft in flight except for the purpose of saving a passenger's life, or give upon any aircraft in flight, any assistance or other like activities."

Organize Troop of Boy Scouts at Hampton

Hampton, Dec. 23.—The organization of a troop of Boy Scouts under the auspices of St. Paul's Anglican Church has been completed at Hampton. The troop committee consists of the following: Chairman, H. L. Vanden; secretary-treasurer, G. H. Plevins; and C. F. Wetmore.

C. Allan Coaker will be in charge and will act as scoutmaster, with Rev. G. Gordon Lawrence as chaplain.

No Standard Monday

The Standard will not be published on the holiday.

A Christmas Greeting.

God grant you happiness and mirth,
And little children 'round your hearth,
And all the joys of health.
And may you own the glorious things,
Which true contentment always brings,
With just enough of wealth;
And may you find along your way,
The Christmas spirit every day.

Carleton Co. Man In Trouble With U. S. Liquor Law

Found Exposing for Sale Eighteen Quarts of Canadian Whiskey.

Special to The Standard.

Bangor, Me., Dec. 13.—Walter Milbury, of Woodstock, N. B., who was arrested here charged with having in his possession and exposing for sale 18 quarts of Canadian whiskey was arraigned before Commissioner Reed in United States district court where he entered a plea of not guilty and was held in bonds of \$500 for the February term.

The seizure was made in Bridgewater, Tuesday, when Custom Officers swooped down on a shack occupied by Milbury, and where the quantity of liquor was seized. The raid was conducted by Deputy U. S. Marshal Fenwick, of Portland.

Milbury furnished bail.



Christ's Birthday

A Christmas Message by the Rev. Dyson Hague of Toronto.

Is Christmas now going to die? Christmas going to die? Never! Christmas can never die. As long as there is a child upon this earth that day will be greeted with a shout of gladness; and, for weeks before, the vibrations of mystic wonder and secret mirth will fill the little hearts in every land that has ever heard of Jesus. Christmas can never die while a mother lives. The birth of that little baby boy in Bethlehem has wreathed a never-dying halo around the child. All love, all sweetness, all gentleness all innocence, all the pitying, brooding, unselfish greatness that is the everlasting miracle of the mother heart, received its coronation in the Virgin Mother. Christmas can never die as long as a father thinks of that world of wistful wonder and of mystic hope evoking all his manhood, softening all his strength, as he looks down upon the little helpless babe that God has given him to cherish and to train.

As long as there is a poor man in the world, Christmas will never lose its halo. For he came down to earth from heaven to link his lot with the poor. He lived poor. He died poor. And His poverty has since been the enriching of the world. Not Christmas can never die! For ever, all His glorious morning annually breaks, men will turn from the clutter and hubbub of the world to hear the song the angels sing.

The cry of the world today is over for something up-to-date. O, preacher, break, men will turn from the clutter and hubbub of the world to hear the song the angels sing.

"Behold I bring you good news! Good news of great joy! Heard a thousand times by the old, a hundred times by the young, it still comes to the astonished consciousness of those who think, with all the vividness of a glorious sunrise, it is GOOD news of GREAT joy, over as fresh as the morning sun, as sweet as a newly-blooming rose or a new-born babe. For the greatest things in heaven and earth are the home, the child, and the love of God. And the people nearest to the heart of God are the poor, the sad, the heart-broken and the hungry. It is those that the light-waves of joy immerse, and the shafts of gladness terradate at Christmastide.

"What are you going to get this Christmas?" asked one girl, and the answer came, "I've been so busy planning what I'm going to give that I haven't had time to think of what I'm going to get." If the children of Canada would enter into the heart-renewing of Christmas, let them remember the last words of good Bishop Strivling to the little children of Toronto: "Children, the greatest gift for which we have to thank God is the gift of His Son, Jesus Christ."

If the Christians of Canada, would try, to the full, this Christmastide let them not scold or scold or scold as to a more season of good will and worldly friendship. Let his seed-time be enjoyed on Sunday, the holy day. Let its merriment be enjoyed on Monday, the holiday.

Balfour Issues Christmas Message To American People

Declares Peace is Secure Between Two Great English Nations.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Arthur J. Balfour, head of the British arms conference delegation, tonight issued the following Christmas message to the American people:

"I welcome the opportunity which has been granted me of sending Christmas greetings to my American friends, known and unknown.

"It is this day, the season which, above all others, suggests thoughts of peace on earth and good will toward men, surely there are no nations between whom that peace should be more secure, and that good will more ardent than the two great peoples of English speech. Such has always been my faith; and never did it seem nearer complete realization than at a moment when, under American leadership, so much is being done towards diminishing armaments and removing causes of international friction.

"A Christmas tide so happy should be the surest prelude to a better New Year."

Adjournment of Dail Eireann Brings Forth Comment

Dublin Press Regards Move as Indicating Favorable Chances for Treaty Ratification.

Dublin, Dec. 23.—The decision of the Dail Eireann to adjourn until Jan. 3 was commented upon by all the Dublin newspapers today as favorable to the chances of the Irish agreement ratification. A note of regret is struck by the commentators, however, over the fact that the adjournment of the Dail Eireann will prevent the release of the convicted political prisoners, which is expected to follow ratification of the treaty.

Twenty-Four Hour "Hartal" Ordered in Calcutta Today

Instructions Urge the Public to Refrain from Anything That Might Cause Disturbances.

Calcutta, India, Dec. 23.—A hartal, of a completely non-violent character, lasting for twenty-four hours, was declared yesterday for Dec. 24, the occasion of the visit of the Prince of Wales to the city.

Instructions urge the public to refrain from anything which might lead to disturbances; no one should abuse, intimidate or retaliate, however great the provocation, and no one should go to the streets or participate in any festivities.

Crerar At Ottawa in Conference With Mr. King

Toronto, Dec. 23.—Hon. T. A. Crerar was in Toronto today, but his visit was brief. He was met at the train by Hon. Manning Clark, Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, and taken to Premier Durney's office in the Parliament building. The Progressive leader finally declined to be interviewed by the writing newspaper men.

Hon. Mr. Crerar was with the Premier about two hours before continuing his journey to Ottawa tonight. No talking was given as to the trend of their discussion.

KING PEACE TREATY PLEASES LEADER OF PROGRESSIVES

Treaty Not Confirmed by Followers of Either Leader and Dissension in the Ranks Has Broken Out — Quebec Liberals Sidetracked and Rumblyings Are Many—Five Progressives to Have Place in Cabinet.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 23.—Confirmation of the treaty which Mr. King, Liberal leader, offered Mr. Crerar, Progressive leader, and which, it is now known, has been accepted and will bring Mr. Crerar and four other Progressives into the government, has reached Ottawa. Briefly summarized, the proposals submitted by Mr. King to Mr. Crerar, and through the latter placed before the Saskatchewan convention, which accepted them, are as follows:

Treaty Terms

- 1—Return of the Natural Resources of the West to the Prairie Provinces, with a Board of Arbitration to determine what compensation, if any, shall be given to the Eastern Provinces;
- 2—An attempt to revive the Reciprocity Pact with the United States, defeated in 1911;
- 3—Maintenance of Government control of the Canadian Northern Railway (no mention made of the Grand Trunk);
- 4—A tariff for revenue only;
- 5—Elimination of Sir Lomer Gouin and his followers from the Cabinet; Sir Lomer to go to the Senate;
- 6—Mr. Frank Oliver and Mr. W. B. Motherwell, Western Liberal leaders, to be kept out of the cabinet;
- 7—Five Progressives, including Mr. Crerar, to be taken into the cabinet.

These proposals, it is authoritative sources stated, were accepted by the Progressives, with the exception of one dissenter.

Mr. Crerar was authorized to go to Ottawa to conclude the agreement; and he arrives here today to carry out his mandate.

Mr. Fielding and Mr. Lapointe appeared to know what was transpiring behind the scenes, the rest appeared torn between doubt and hope. "The only thing clear to all was that, if Mr. Crerar and his four Progressives were taken in, at least five of the 'old guard' would have to be left out; and the prospect didn't please.

King's Finish

Meanwhile, more impartial and less interested political observers speculated keenly upon the King-Crerar treaty terms. Many were inclined to the view that Mr. Crerar had driven a hard bargain, that he had forced Mr. King into a position where he must be prepared to part company with scores of his parliamentary followers. Others, on the other hand, were inclined to the opposite view. They pointed out that Mr. King is perfectly safe in promising a revival of reciprocity, there being not the slightest chance of the United States granting it at the present time. They further pointed out that "tariff for revenue" may mean anything or nothing, that inasmuch as the present tariff is bringing not more than one-third of the existing revenue, Mr. King can easily claim that the present duties, with a few minor modifications, are merely revenue duties. In a word, these observers tend to believe that Mr. Crerar with words that can accommodate to most any condition, once the Progressive leader is safely landed in the Cabinet.

As for Conservatives, their verdict on what is happening is unanimous. They point out that before and during the election, Mr. Meighen declared that his opponents would fight him on two fronts under two flags, that they would fight as free traders in the West, and as Protectionists in the East and that when the battle was over they would jointly betray their followers and allies.

Progressives deny this. They now claim—and this is of special significance for Ontario—that Mr. Crerar and the Progressives will dominate the new Government. Mr. King, they say, has been placed in a position where he must sink or swim with the farmers; and that he will be compelled to abolish all duties of farm implements, upon rail, upon boots and shoes and upon all things that enter into the people's food. In a word, the Progressives' claim is that Mr. King has done well. Protectionists, however, and that union with Mr. Crerar will be a great victory for free trade and for the radicalism of the West.

Meanwhile, it is stated that Mr. King will today ask a Governor-General to swear him in Prime Minister the rest of the Cabinet to come later. Whether such a proceeding would be constitutional, according to some observers tonight, a matter of grave doubt.

Reminders On The Hill

Meanwhile there are increasing rumblyings in Parliament Hill. The "Big Interests" of Montreal supported Mr. King with the belief that, when his party triumphed, the Quebec metropolis would be dominant in its councils. Since the election, however, Mr. King has faced to West instead of East; Winnipeg, not Montreal has been appealed to. The result is a general alarm in Quebec. It was manifested tonight when Sir Lomer Gouin, supported by Mr. Walter Mitchell, arrived in the city and immediately saw Mr. King. And it was manifested later in the evening when members of the "old guard," exasperated at being ignored, and at the trend of affairs, spoke open rebellion against what is being done. "Mr. King," said one of them, "was chosen by a Liberal Convention and elected by a Liberal party. What right has he to ignore that party now for persons who worked for his defeat and who have been our enemies for the past three years? During the past two years we have talked much about mandates. Who gave Mr. King a mandate to form a Government with Mr. Crerar?"

Tonight, the rounds of the Chateau Laurier was a hive of Liberal leaders. From Quebec there were Sir Lomer Gouin, Mr. Walter Mitchell, Mr. Ernest Lapointe, Dr. Henri Beland, Mr. James Robb and Senator Dandurand; from Ontario, Mr. W. C. Kennedy, Mr. Charles Murphy, Mr. George P. Graham; from Nova Scotia, Mr. W. S. Fielding and Mr. D. D. McKensie; from New Brunswick, Mr. A. B. Cope; from the West, Mr. Motherwell and Mr. A. B. Hudson. Of the list only

Bandits Running Wild in New York Friday Night

Two Men Killed and Two Others Seriously Injured as Result of Hold-ups.

New York, Dec. 23.—Two men, one of them a bandit, were killed and two police detectives were seriously wounded as the result of a series of holdups here tonight. Leon Scallio, wealthy cafe owner, was shot to death by a fusillade of bullets fired by three masked men who were holding up the patrons of his cafe at 248 East 152nd street, Bronx.

A short time later two armed men entered a United Cigar store at 880 East Tremont avenue, Bronx, and attempted to hold up the clerk. They were caught in the act by Detectives Timothy J. Connel and Randall J. McCarthy, who immediately opened fire, killing one of them. The other, who was in the face and escaped in an automobile.

Pleads Guilty To Conspiracy Charge

Toledo, Dec. 23.—George Rogerson, alias George Lewis, convicted of conspiracy in connection with the \$1,000,000 Toledo postal robbery last February, today pleaded guilty to the charge of robbery and was sentenced to serve seventeen years in the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, by Federal Judge KILPATRICK.

Arkansas Town Suffers Severely From Heavy Storm

Several Persons Killed and Many Injured in Storm-Swept Area.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 23.—Seven negroes and one white man are reported to have been killed and approximately a score injured in a storm which struck the town of Clarkdale, Ark., seventeen miles northwest of Memphis, late today and swept through several nearby farming settlements.

In addition to the eight persons reported killed in the immediate vicinity of Clarkdale, unconfirmed reports were that several persons were missing and believed to be dead on the Kennedy, Willard and Booker plantations west of Clarkdale. Mrs. Ed. Kennedy and her four children are among those reported as unaccounted for on the Kennedy plantation.

Murder and Suicide Victims Identified As Boston Couple

Boston, Dec. 23.—The young man and woman, who were victims of a murder and suicide in Chinatown last night, were identified today as Belle Payne and Nick Savitz, both of this city. The police announced the belief that Savitz shot and killed the girl and then turned the gun on himself.