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Break With Germans Over Reparations Question is Expected This Afternoon

BLACK OUTLOOK AS THE MORNING SESSION CAME TO END

Indications of Failure to Reach Agreement—British Troops Ready to Advance on Dusseldorf and French and Belgians Await Marching Orders—New Proposals of Germans Not Acceptable.

London, March 7.—The conference between the heads of the Allied governments and representatives of the German government, which began at noon today for discussion of the reparations question, took an adjournment at four o'clock until four thirty o'clock. The session apparently had not been a satisfactory one and there was report that an attempt at an agreement had failed and that the Germans would be informed that the stipulated penalties would be applied.

After the recess Mr. Laurent, French ambassador to Berlin, declared there was little doubt that there would be a rupture of the negotiations at the late afternoon sitting of the conference.

London, March 7.—A British battalion is reported to be standing ready to advance upon Dusseldorf, while French and Belgian troops are said to be under marching orders that will send them into German territory.

NEW PROPOSALS MADE TODAY

London, March 7.—New German proposals, which it was said in French quarters were unacceptable, were submitted to the Supreme Allied Council this morning before reparations conference opened today's meeting. The general conference met at noon today. Dr. Walter Simons, head of the German delegation, told the Allies that the Germans rejected the proposals formulated at Paris, and had decided to revert to the ideal of a provisional agreement that they had prepared. This would call for the payment of fixed annuities for the first five years, and would give the equivalent of the twelve per cent on German exports. It was unofficially reported at 12:45 o'clock that the Allies had decided to inform the Germans that their proposals were unacceptable.

Dr. Simons' proposition was made conditional upon the withdrawal of all German troops from the Rhine and the removal of all commercial restrictions.

Then Troops Concentrating.

London, March 7.—Information has reached well informed Polish circles in London in connection with the upper Silesian plebiscite that German detachments have been concentrating near Arys and Loetzen in East Prussia, since the middle of February.

Dr. Simons in continuing his statement to the conference, said he had purposely avoided reference to the question of responsibility for the war, because he considered such a discussion would only make a settlement more difficult. He declared neither the treaty of Versailles nor the carrying out of the Allied penalties could determine the question of war guilt.

"History only can fix the responsibility for the war," said the German foreign minister. The war, he contended, was too recent an occurrence to be judged clearly at this time.

Dr. Simons deplored what he termed the Allied disposition to ignore payments already made by the Germans, which they contended should be applied to the reparations account, and the Allied persistence in the view that Germany was acting in bad faith.

He discussed at length the subject of taxation in Germany and in the Allied countries, seeking to disprove a statement made by the British premier in his speech last Thursday that Germany's taxes were lower than those of the Allies.

Dr. Simons maintained that the taxes should be calculated on a per capita basis, taking into account the income tax paid in each country. He declared that even the Allies had admitted that further direct taxation in Germany was impossible.

After asking Dr. Simons some questions, Lloyd George replied: "If an effort must be made to give the Allies no doubt as to the answer which the Allies must be forced to give. I think it desirable, in view of the great gravity of the decision, that we should give a reasoned reply to his carefully prepared and clear statement. The interview also will enable us to read a full report of his statement."

London, March 7.—Lord George is expected to reply at this afternoon's meeting here to Dr. Simons German foreign minister, who presented new German proposals this morning. These proposals, which were declared in French quarters to be unacceptable to the Allies, were of a provisional nature, calling for a payment of fixed annuities for the first

FOR PROTECTION AT SAND POINT

Delegation Heard on Matter of Pilfering

Some Suggestions as to Way to Check Trouble—City Organizations and Shipping Men Present Matters.

A delegation, consisting of representatives of the Commercial Club, Board of Trade, Rotary Club and of steamship and marine insurance interests, met this morning on the common council this morning, asking that steps be taken to furnish adequate protection against pilfering of goods in the west side docks.

C. H. Peters, president of the Commercial Club, acted as chairman and read a number of resolutions, which were drawn up at a recent meeting of representatives present as follows:

That such conditions obtain in the handling of freight at the west side docks as are not contributive to desirable results in the operations of the port, and the city is not affording proper means for the preservation of law and order, or the protection of goods in transit at these docks.

That the city should provide an adequate number of uniformed police to ensure the preservation of law and order and protection of goods in transit at the west side docks, and the regular city police force, and the expense of maintaining the same should be paid out of harbor revenue.

That the sheds should be placed under the direction or control of occupants during such time as ship is on berth. Mayor Schofield said that they were familiar with the conditions and the delegation to try to confine itself to some means of remedy. He said if necessary the city could put on a heavier squad of policemen, but it would only tend to fill up the jail, which was already overflowing. He blamed the prevailing conditions on the unemployment problem.

Mr. Peters called on Commander Elliott of the C. P. O. S. He said he was not blaming any one set of men for the pilfering, but a body of men who hanging around the sheds and docks. He felt that immediate action should be taken to maintain law and order in the west side docks.

EVERY SIDE COMMITTED

ROME, March 7.—Pope Benedict, in his allocution delivered at the secret consistory today, alluded to Ireland having her ancient struggles renewed. There has been outbreak of appalling violence and crimes in contradiction of the laws of mankind, the pope declared, "verities of mankind, the pontifical declaration, condemn by which ever side committed."

WANDALS AT WORK

The warehouses belonging to Daniel Walsh, Rothway, were broken into last night and considerable damage was done to the interior. Several articles are reported missing.

FRIEND OF THOMAS STEARS

The funeral of Thomas Stears was held yesterday afternoon from his late residence in McKel street to the Church of the Good Shepherd. Service was conducted by Rev. W. P. Dunham. The hymns "On the Resurrection Morn and Lead Kindly Light" were sung and the body was borne from the church to the funeral home.

GREK STRIKE HAS TIED UP RAILWAYS

Athens, Greece, March 5.—All railway communication in Greece was suspended today as the result of a strike affecting every line in the country. The men are demanding increased wages and shorter hours.

GETS WORD OF DAUGHTER'S DEATH

Sad News for Mrs. Ross Thompson, Visiting in Fredericton.

Fredericton, N. B., March 7.—Mrs. Ross Thompson of Montreal, a former resident of Fredericton, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. C. Hawkins on Sunday received word that her daughter Nora had died at her home after a brief illness with pneumonia. She was the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson. One brother also survives, Mr. Thompson at present is in Vancouver. Mrs. Thompson has left for Montreal.

Mrs. Amelia Willis, widow of Walter Willis, died on Sunday at her home in New Brunswick at the age of seventy-three. Four sons survive, also two daughters—David of Fredericton, Miss of Nashwaakia, Everett of Kingsclear, Charles of Nashwaakia, Mrs. William Sandwith of Royal Road, and Miss Hepsey at home.

Mrs. Mary I. Edwards died on Sunday morning at her home, Scotch Lake, aged eighty-eight. Three sons survive, three daughters—William J. of Alberta, James and Solomon of Fredericton, Mrs. P. Wilson of Saskatchewan, Mrs. Abbie Upton of Fredericton, Mrs. Hayward McLean of Burton, Mrs. Edwin Horncastle of Fredericton, Mrs. William Girdwood of Red Bank, and Miss Martha Greer at home. Other surviving relatives are a brother James Estabrook of Manzer of Somerville. Twelve grand-children survive.

U. S. TAKES HAND

Calls on Panama and Costa Rica to Cease Fighting—Some Indignation.

Panama, March 7.—Receipt of an identical note sent to Costa Rica and Panama by Charles E. Hughes, United States secretary of state, asking that hostilities between the two countries cease, produced a painful impression, according to a dispatch from Panama, dated today. "This impression," said the dispatch, "is not shared by the Costa Ricans."

The president reiterated his recent statement that the arbitration award given in 1914, by Chief Justice White, "was completely unacceptable" to Panama, adding: "There is no reason for compelling Panama to accept, but will be pleased to secure another opportunity to discuss our rights."

It is understood that the United States cruiser Sacramento, with an Eagle boat, has arrived at Bocas Del Toro, but this cannot be confirmed, since the Balboa headquarters of the fifteen naval district issued a statement saying that Admiral Bryan was receiving orders which could not be given out at Balboa. Despatches declaring that Panama has requested intervention by the League of Nations have not been confirmed here, because the Panama government has been keeping secret its peace moves because of their possible effect upon the people of this country.

An Salvador, Republic, Salvador, March 7.—Telegrams upholding Costa Rica in their attack upon Panama as a result of the frontier controversy between those countries have been sent to San Jose by the Congresses of Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras.

Panama forces are declared in respect to the province of Bocas Del Toro, which is the Atlantic side of the Isthmus. Heavy Costa Rica columns are reported to be marching toward the Panama frontier.

FAIL TO FIND CAPT. PERRY'S WILL

Not in Strong Box Where Murdered Yarmouth Man Was Supposed to Keep It.

Yarmouth, N. S., March 7.—Search today in the strong box in which the late Captain George H. Perry murdered was believed to have kept his will failed to locate the document.

At the request Captain Perry's will was requested that she believed the captain made his will in her favor.

Pending the return of Detective Kenney, who is having a chemical analysis made of alleged blood stains on a skirt belonging to Mrs. Perry, no new local developments in the investigation are expected.

FREDERICTON ELECTION

Fredericton, March 7.—Ald. C. Camp in Carlton ward and Ald. Harold M. Young in St. Ann's ward were placed in nomination for the civic election this morning. They are opposed respectively by Charles R. Howie and Ald. R. J. Baxter. It is not expected that there will be further nominations, although such are possible.

ATTACKS FAMILY AND KILLS SELF

Worcester, Mass., March 6.—Moses Boyajian, fifty-five years old, who had been absent from home about nine months and from whom his wife was granted a divorce about a month ago, returned unexpectedly this morning, according to the police, and attacked his wife and two sons with a revolver and stiletto, then fired a shot into his head. All were taken to a hospital, where the wife and the younger son are on the dangerous list. Boyajian died tonight.

SYRIAN GIRL HOPS UP SHIP FOR TWELVE DAYS

Boston, March 7.—Delicate diagnoses of the case of a stowaway passenger as this led to orders today for the detention of the steamship Mongolia, with 1,000 passengers, at quarantine for twelve days. This is the first case of typhus officially recorded among arrivals at this port.

PART OF PEROGRAD REPORTED AFIRE

Serious News From There Since Last Night

Many of Residential and Business Quarters in Flames—Varying Reports as to Seriousness of Russian Revolt.

London, March 7.—The Central News correspondent at Helmsingford reports that the most serious character from Petrograd since last night. The advices said that many of the residential and business quarters were in flames.

The Soviet government, the message continued, was dispatching a large number of troops from Moscow to Petrograd to assist in restoring order. The Petrograd rebels, it was added, were planning to accord the troops a friendly reception in the hope of winning them over.

London, March 7.—The Herald labor organ, today, prints an interview with Leon Krassin, who has returned to London with amendments to the proposed Russo-British trade agreement. Krassin is reported to have said that, according to his latest information "all is quiet in Moscow and Petrograd."

"The only real trouble is in Kronstadt," he said, "but that is unimportant." The newspaper also prints the following telegram from its Moscow correspondent under date of March 8:—"The Kozlovsky affair presents no serious features. The general speaking before the Moscow Soviet today said:—"Only one shot has been fired in Moscow, we have lived through more serious crisis than this."

Paris, March 7.—The former Russian premier, Alexander Kerensky, received a despatch from well-informed members of his party fully confirming accounts already published of the revolt in Petrograd, where according to a brief late despatch from Helmsingford, the movement tends to spread and grow stronger.

As regards Moscow, Kerensky says the counter movement appears somewhat weak, but in the regions near the frontier, the communists are particularly active. The communists are feeling and troops of doubtful loyalty are being dispersed.

Paris, March 7.—The "Rusian parliamentary committee in Paris" today sent messages to President Harding and Herbert Hoover, U. S. Secretary of Commerce, soliciting help in the form of food and other necessities for the anti-Bolsheviks in Kronstadt and Petrograd.

The garrison of Krasnoy Gorko, near Petrograd, has rallied to the anti-Bolshevik cause, says a wireless message received today by the French foreign office.

The town of Pskov, near the Estonian border, is reported to have been captured by insurgents who marched there. Commissioners Zinovief and Kalinin and several of the Bolshevik commissaries at Petrograd are reported to have taken flight and to have been arrested at Wiborg (Viborg), according to the wireless advices.

Maxim Litvoff, chief of Soviet legation abroad, is said by the same advices to have embarked in a Bolshevik vessel off Revel after drawing an important sum from the bank there.

IN WALL STREET

New York, March 7.—(10:30).—Trading on the stock exchange at the outset of today's session pointed to a continuance of last week's listless and irregular market, but dealings became more active and the undercurrent strengthened. A pronounced extent within the first half hour. Oil, steel and motors were the objects of bullish attention.

Foundries, Chandler, Bidebaker and Otis Elevator comprised the other firms to strong issues. Exchange on London was moderately higher, despite advices from that centre regarding the course of the reparations conference.

Noon Report

Shipping, metals, leather, tobacco and other issues joined the general advance of the morning. Coal shares were strong. Central Railroad of New Jersey advanced eight points on rumors of early announcement of the separation plan, but standard rails of the Granger, Cotton and transcontinental divisions were neglected. Atlantic Gulf rose three points, American International Corporation, one; Utah Copper, 1/2, and Retail Stores, Hide and Leather preferred, Cuba Cane Sugar, California Packing and Corn Products one point each. Bethlehem, Crucible, Republic and United States Steels were in demand and oil extended their gains. Standard Oil of New Jersey rising four points. Col. was plentiful at seven per cent and exchange on the European Allied countries strengthened substantially.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Montreal, March 7.—The local stock exchange was in a fairly steady condition at its opening this morning. A little went up three quarters of a point to 38-3/4. Atlantic Sugar went up three eighths to 39-5/8. Brazilian was unchanged at 33. Brompton sagged three quarters to 33-1/4. Laurentide strengthened a half to 33-1/2. National Breweries was fractionally weaker at 44-7/8. Spanish Rizer was steady at 72. Wayangamack went up a point.

SPECIAL CASH DIVIDEND

New York, March 7.—The Lehigh and Wilkes Barre Coal Company declared today a special cash dividend of 76 per cent on \$2,100,000 stock outstanding.

EXCHANGE TODAY

New York, March 7.—Sterling exchange strong. Demand 3:30-3:45, cable 3:31-3:45. Canadian dollars 125-16 per cent discount.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, March 7.—Opening March Wheat, 170; May, 16 1/2; Corn May, 71; July, 78 1/8; Oats May, 46, July, 46 1/8.

Allies Decide to Force the Hun to Meet Their Demands

London, March 7.—Application of the penalties on Germany for non-fulfilment of her reparations requirements was decided upon by the Allies here this afternoon.

Lloyd George informed the Germans today that not only were the proposals made this morning unacceptable to the Allies, but that despite the interval since last week's conference, the Germans had not made such an advance in their propositions as would justify postponement of the imposition of the penalties.

WILSON MOVES A STOCK OF LIQUOR

Permits Also Given Retiring Cabinet Members and Others Who Left Official Life at Washington.

New York, March 6.—Government guarantees of safety were stamped upon the big collar stocks of President Wilson, cabinet officers and representatives in congress when legal permits were given by Prohibition Commissioner Kramer to remove the liquor to the new homes of the owners.

How much liquor was moved out of Washington by the change in administration is subject to conjecture. Commissioner Kramer remarked rather dryly:

"Higher officials have fine stocks and in abundance. You should not expect me to divulge all the details of these permits, however. That is something in the nature of a private matter."

Among those to whom permits were given were President Wilson, Secretary Baker, Secretary Coby, Secretary Burson, Secretary Payne, and scores of defeated representatives and some senators, who removed their wet goods to their homes.

Commissioner Kramer's office has been overrun with officials of every class who joined the exodus from Washington. One representative listed several barrels. The liquor shown to have been possessed by the average applicant rarely went below dozen case lots.

Prohibition officials treated these incidents with the greatest secrecy. Considerable interest attached to the details concerning the stock of White House liquors. These were removed from the Executive Mansion to the new residence of Mr. Wilson on S street. In the Scotch whiskey, besides a variety of rare wines and liquors.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, St. John, N. B., at 2 p. m.

Synopsis.—The disturbance which was approaching the lake region from the westward on Saturday has since moved quickly eastward to the Atlantic, causing showers in Ontario, Quebec and the maritime provinces. Light snow has fallen in many parts of the west. A shallow trough of low pressure extended from Manitoba to the north states.

Mostly Fair.

Maritime.—Moderate to fresh northeast winds; mostly cloudy with rain in some parts of Nova Scotia. Tuesday, northeast winds; mostly fair; not much change in temperature. Gulf and north shore—Fair today and on Tuesday; stationary or a little lower temperature.

New England.—Unsettled weather; probably rain tonight or Tuesday; colder tonight; moderate variable winds.

Toronto, March 7.—Temperatures:

Table with 2 columns: Location and Temperature. Locations include Prince Rupert, Victoria, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Prince Albert, Winnipeg, White River, Soo, Kenora, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, St. John, N. B., Halifax, St. John's, Nfld., and New York.

Lowest 8 a. m. Highest during Yesterday night

Prince Rupert 46 46 40
Victoria 40 46 44
Kamloops 40 52 38
Calgary 16 38 30
Edmonton 10 31 8
Prince Albert 2 2 2
Winnipeg 80 92 20
White River 24 28 10
Soo 30 30 31
Kenora 30 31 28
Kingston 80 44 28
Ottawa 24 44 22
Montreal 22 40 44
St. John, N. B. 34 42 34
Halifax 38 44 36
St. John's, Nfld. 40 38 28
Detroit 32 48 34
New York 84 64 84