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WILSON WANTS TREATY ISSUE AT NEXT ELECTION

Declares it to be the Clear and Only Way to Determine the Will of American People on the League.

NO OBJECTION TO INTERPRETATION

Insistent That When Treaty is Acted Upon it Shall be Done so Public May Know Real Status.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 8.—President Wilson, in his message to the Jackson Day dinner here tonight, said: "The clear and only way to determine the will of the American people on the League of Nations was to make it an issue at the next election."

The President's message said nothing whatever about a third term for himself, and neither did it say even by implication or intimation that he would not be a candidate, as had been widely forecast. Most all of the President's message was devoted to an explanation of his arguments for why he considered it the duty of the United States to join the League of Nations, and why he considered the war not really won until it did. Another attempt to crush the new nations of Europe would be made, the President said, if the United States held aloof.

Bryan Opely Splits With Pres. Wilson At Jackson Day Dinner

Former Secretary of State, Three Times Candidate for Presidency, Says Treaty Cannot be Political Issue.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 8.—By the Associated Press.—William Jennings Bryan split openly with President Wilson at the Jackson Day dinner here tonight on the question of whether the Democratic Party should make the League of Nations an issue at the next election. This former Secretary of State, three times candidate for the Presidency, declared Democrats could not go before the country on this issue, and they must accept such compromise as may be possible.

Conceding the right of the Republican majority to dictate the Senate's course, Mr. Bryan declared: "Our plan has been rejected, and we must face the situation as it is. We must either secure such compromises as may be possible, or present the issue to the country. The latter course would mean a delay of at least fourteen months and then succeed only in case of our securing a two-thirds majority of the Senate. We cannot afford, either as citizens or as members of the party, to share with the Republican Party responsibility for further delay; we cannot go before the country on the issue that such an appeal would present."

MARYLAND JOINS THE DISCONTENTS

Considering Annulment of the Amendment by Which U. S. Becomes Prohibition Country.

Annapolis, Md., Jan. 8.—The Maryland House of Delegates has been added to the list of State Legislatures considering an annulment of the amendment by which the United States becomes definitely a prohibition country. A resolution calling for withdrawal of the assent of the State Legislature to the Prohibition amendment is before the House and will be considered next week. Claiming a small majority of the House, the resolution is expected to pass through the legislature, especially as Governor-Elect Ritchie, who enters office next Wednesday, is said to favor the annulment of the Prohibition amendment.

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPTS. PREPARING FOR OPENING OF PARLIAMENT FEB. 26

With Prime Minister Away and Tariff Revision Shelved There is Little Prospect of Long Debates or a Session of Great Productivity—Most Important Measure of Session Will be Dom. Franchise Act—Much of Political Interest Expected to Come from Session—New Liberal Leader Has Troubles Ahead.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 8.—Orders have gone out to the various administrative departments to prepare for the session, and unless unforeseen obstacles (not unknown things in politics) intervene, Parliament will open on February 26. So far as can be judged at the moment the session will be brief. With the Prime Minister absent, tariff revision shelved and no other equally controversial issue in sight there is little prospect of prolonged debates, or even of a session of average legislative productivity. Short of tariff changes, the budget, which is often as much a barometer of a Government's political condition as it is of the country's financial position, will be dwarfed in importance. The business war profits tax, which netted approximately thirty million dollars in 1918-19, will be dropped, the reason being that as the United States is repealing a similar tax it is both unfair and dangerous to maintain it upon Canadian business, and there is just a possibility that the income tax will be deepened to a measurable extent. Thus far the Dominion income tax has not been a conspicuous success. In 1918-19 it brought in approximately \$10,000,000, which was less than would cover the country expenses for a single week, and this year, so far as can be judged, it will play no great part in providing a much needed revenue. There is a strong feeling in influential quarters, however, that this tax should be increased and should be made to play a much more prominent part in Canadian fiscal policy. It is pointed out, for example, that Australia, with less wealth and population than Canada, collected more than \$200,000,000 through income taxation during the war, that New Zealand collected more last year than Canada collected in two years, and that the present Canadian tax, while on a par with the United States rate, is far from the equal of the tax in Britain. Whether or not these calculations take into account a number of salient factors which have not been reckoned with when considering Canadian income taxation, such as, for example, the Provincial and Municipal taxation incomes, it is difficult to say. At all events the higher income tax feeling exists, and it is not at all improbable to find expression in law when Sir Henry Drayton gets through with his budget speech.

Franchise Act. Apart from the budget, the most important measure of the session will probably be the long promised but much delayed Dominion Franchise Act. This bill, the cardinal principle of which is likely to be the substitution of Dominion for Provincial lists, will probably challenge considerable opposition. Since 1885, when, under the leadership of Edward Blake, the reformers fought so bitterly against the Government's proposal, Nor are they likely to acquiesce in that part of the act which, it is understood, is to provide for the disfranchisement of deserters under the Military Service Act, a provision bound to have its effect upon the opposition vote in certain sections of the country. Outside of the franchise act no important bills are known to be intended.

Political Interest. But what the session will lack in legislative achievement it is likely to more than make up in political interest. To begin with the experiment of a House leader, who is not Premier or even acting Premier, is likely to be tried. Sir George Foster, the Government leader in the Prime Minister's absence, is said to desire relief from the double duties of the premiership and the Commons leadership, and a House leader will likely be chosen. The choice of this leader, which it made, will be made by a Unionist caucus, and will be a very interesting and significant function.

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STEEL STRIKE IS ENDED BY ORDER OF STRIKE COM.

The Strike Was Started in September and at the Time it Was Caled Involved 390,000 Men.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 8.—The strike in the steel mines and furnaces called September 22 and at the start involved 390,000 men was officially called off here today by the National Committee. Announcing that the National Committee had decided to fight no longer, a telegram was sent to heads of all international unions interested and the organizers and field men in all strike districts.

Endeavoring To Set Public Right On Canteen Profits

Statements Which Have No Foundation in Fact Are Being Made With Regard to Amount Canada Will Receive.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—(Canadian Press Limited)—In an effort to clear the public mind with regard to the question of canteen profits during the war, a proportion of which ultimately come to Canada, the Department of Overseas Military Forces of Canada has issued an explanatory statement. The Department takes the ground that statements, which have no foundation in fact, have been and are being made to the public with regard to the amount which Canada will receive as her share of the profits from canteens operated overseas during the war and wishes to give an official summary of the situation. The statement shows that canteens in Great Britain, and those operated elsewhere, were under separate organization. It emphasizes the point that just now an estimate of the amount which will accrue to Canada or any other of the British belligerents from canteens operated on the continent is impossible, "owing to the fact that the profits earned by this Committee cannot be disclosed until full account is taken of all the trading done by these canteens, as well as losses sustained throughout by enemy action and other causes."

The retreat of the Fifth Army it is claimed that vast quantities of supplies belonging to the canteens were destroyed. Contrary to press reports, it is stated that neither Australia or any other British Dominion has been paid

Allied Military Mission Placed Under Arrest By Rumanians

Paris, Jan. 8.—The arrest of several military representatives of the Allies by a Rumanian officer in occupied Hungary is reported in a Prague despatch through Geneva today. The message says that the members of a Military Mission sent by the Allies to the Arad district to inspect prison camps and report on alleged atrocities of which interned Hungarians were said to have been the victims, were arrested by the commanding officer of a concentration camp who became enraged at the severe criticism of conditions made by the Mission. No information regarding this incident has been received in diplomatic circles in Paris. It is pointed out, however, that communication with Budapest from this capital has been extremely difficult for some time.

Gompers Put Out Of Hotel Of Strike

Pres. of American Federation of Labor Started a Riot Which Was Featured by Wild Disturbances at Boston Hotel.

Boston, Jan. 8.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, speaking before the 975 guests in the Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the Copley Plaza, Thursday, started a riot which was featured by wild disturbance until the hall was cleared, by denouncing Police Commissioner Curtis as directly responsible for the Boston Police strike last fall. The speaker at first was constantly interrupted by shouts of "no" and his first mention of the new police force was the signal for a demonstration that lasted fully eight minutes.

FORMER ST. JOHN MAN KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE

Henry W. Elleson, Native of This City, Was Prominent in the Business World of New Bedford.

Special to The Standard. New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 8.—Henry W. Elleson, retired, formerly of the firm of Ruggles and Elleson and who, merchants, died here today from injuries received Tuesday when he was struck by an automobile driven by the Linton Hart of Brookline. Mr. Elleson was born in St. John, N. B., 62 years ago. He resided in St. John up to the time of his removal to Moncton, N. B., where he remained but two years, coming to New Bedford at the age of 32. Among the survivors are two brothers at present in the Province, Windsor M., of Moncton, and Thomas W., of Fredericton, N. B. Mr. Elleson was a great personal friend of Col. Guthrie of the Canadian Black Watch.

WOMAN KILLED AT CAMBRIDGE

Mrs. Bertha Clay Struck by An Automobile Driven by Harvard Student Who Was Arraigned on Manslaughter

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 8.—Chester W. Kingsley, 24, of 4 Avon Street, Cambridge, a second year student at the Harvard Law School, was arraigned in court today on a charge of manslaughter. An automobile driven by Kingsley, at Commonwealth Avenue and Kenmore Streets, last night struck and instantly killed Mrs. Bertha Clay, aged 43, a resident of Grand Manan Island, N. B. Henry Clay, the woman's son, 15 years of age, who was visiting here with his mother, witnessed the accident but at the time was not aware that it was his mother. Mrs. Clay's husband died at Grand Manan two months ago, she coming here with her son to stay with her sister, Mrs. Jennie L. Flynn.

Mystery Surrounds The Death

Coroner Returns Verdict of Suicide in Death of P. E. I. Woman, But Husband is Under Arrest.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Jan. 8.—The body of Mrs. Corbett Ellis, aged thirty, of Harmony, was found in her bedroom about six o'clock last night with the jugular vein severed and two cuts about an inch long on her right wrist. The body was in a stooping position between the bed and the table, on which lay two razors and a pair of scissors, all blood stained. The coroner's jury gave a verdict of suicide, but the husband was arrested and held on suspicion. Two doctors at the inquest made an external examination of the remains, and Attorney General Johnston has ordered a complete autopsy which is being performed tonight. Ellis is a retired soldier, and his wife is an Englishwoman whom he married overseas. It transpired at the inquest that they did get along well together and had a quarrel last Tuesday.

WESTFIELD WOMAN DEFENDANT IN DIVORCE COURT

Sued for Divorce on the Grounds of Desertion—Son, Returned Soldier, Testifies for Mother.

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 8.—After an all day hearing in the superior court today Judge Franklin T. Hammond took under advisement the case of Walter W. Bradbury, against the wife of Marion H. Bradbury, of Westfield, N. B. In a suit for divorce on the grounds of desertion. A son, an overseas veteran, testified in favor of the mother. Bradbury also asks revocation of an order of the Probate court which compels him to pay his wife \$25 for separate support, granted the wife on various charges. Among those was humiliation suffered when her husband was sentenced to five years in prison. Under questioning, Mrs. Bradbury stated that although she had lived with her husband, she never really loved him.—The couple were married in Westfield, N. B., 27 years ago. They always resided there until seven years ago, coming to Lawrence. Shortly after the husband was arrested and sentenced to Charlestown state prison, the little woman returning to Westfield with her son. At the outbreak of the war the latter enlisted and returned just in time to be a witness for his mother.

VOTED THEN GAVE BIRTH TO TRIPLETS

Grand Valley, Ont., Jan. 8.—Mrs. Joseph Gates voted in the municipal election at her home, where there was a polling place, on Monday morning and in the afternoon she gave birth to triplets—two girls and a boy.

ITALIANS LEARN PACT OF LONDON IS DESTROYED

Memorandum from Allies Recalls to Italian Negotiators That Pact Was Destroyed by Former Italian Negotiators.

ITALIAN PRESS QUITE SARCASTIC

Claims the Voluminous Memorandum is Due to Premier Clemenceau's Fervid Imagination.

Rome, Tuesday, Jan. 6.—The Corriere d'Italia says that a memorandum, "not in the form of an ultimatum but a grave document coming from the Allied Nations to a nation bound to them by a solemn pact," has been delivered to Foreign Minister Scialoja by Allied representatives. The memorandum, the newspaper asserts, has for its object the closing of the period of negotiation and the opening of a new one, and recalls to the new Italian negotiators that "the Pact of London does not exist any more," having been destroyed gradually by the former Italian negotiators.

The voluminous memorandum is due to Premier Clemenceau's fervid imagination," the Corriere d'Italia continues. "It recalls that the former Italian delegates renounced Italian rights to Dalmatia with the exception of Zara with hinterland of ten kilometers; renounced annexation of the Trentino; renounced the Italian protectorate over Albania for the Italian territorial aspirations to Avlona, a hinterland of fifteen kilometers." The memorandum tries to show that with these facts the Pact of London lost all value and thus the negotiations must not refer to the Pact of London. Scialoja first, and Nitti (the Premier) afterwards, hastened still exists for any person of honor in Italy, both in spirit and in letter. To avoid further misunderstanding of this sort, Nitti insisted that hereafter minutes. Nitti insisted that all negotiations, against the will of all negotiators regarding the result of the London and Paris negotiations is founded.

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