

FOUR NATIONS SIGN PACIFIC PEACE TREATY

New Quadruple Agreement Is Concluded at United States Capital.

CEREMONY WAS INFORMAL
Special Committee To Study Naval Questions Is Appointed.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The new quadruple treaty to preserve peace in the Pacific was formally signed today by the plenipotentiaries of the United States, Great Britain, France and Japan. The signatures were affixed in the room of the office of the secretary of state. There was no formal ceremony and no one was present except the plenipotentiaries, their secretaries and advisers.

New Committee To Tackle Naval Issues

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—The naval experts committee of the arms conference, it was announced tonight, has been disbanded and a fresh committee, consisting of delegates from the five powers and experts, was constituted to deal with all naval questions.

Arthur J. Balfour, head of the British delegation, Lord Lee and Rear Admiral Chatfield were named as the British members of the committee. It was said that this body would take up the proposed naval treaty for France and Italy and also, in all probability, the submarine question.

The four-power Pacific treaty will be nothing but a "straight out military alliance" unless some disarmament results from the Washington conference, Senator Borah of Idaho, Republican, declared tonight, the League of Nations fight, declared tonight, the League of Nations fight, declared tonight, the League of Nations fight.

Borah Breaks Silence.
Mr. Borah, breaking his silence with respect to the treaty, declared that his attitude toward the pact would be largely determined by what the arms conference does with respect to the submarine question and the Chinese questions.

He declared the work of the conference would be "discouraging if it adjourns without prohibiting the use of the submarine, poisonous gas and other barbarous weapons."

The controversy between Japan and the United States over the island of Yap has been settled, and the terms of the settlement will be announced late tonight, Secretary Hughes today told the Far Eastern committee of the Washington conference.

The agreement, which is in the form of a treaty, includes all the islands over which Japan has the mandate in addition to Yap. The pact has been approved by the government, but an announcement as to whether it was actually signed was withheld.

Terms Withheld.
Although the terms of the treaty were held for an official announcement in the communiqué of the Far Eastern committee, it was understood the convention gave the United States certain definite rights as to the island of Yap, including cable rights.

Sir Robert B. Canadian delegate to the conference, is still confined to his suite at the Lafayette Hotel, though his condition was reported to be somewhat improved today. He is suffering from a severe bronchial cold.

The persistent opposition of the United States in the past to the Japanese mandates in the Far East, although centered upon Yap, was confined to this island, and included all of the islands in the Pacific Ocean north of the equator, which formerly belonged to Germany.

These "islands of the Orient seas," of which Yap is one, are grouped into four groups, namely, the Carolines with 62; the Marshall with 32; the Mariana (or Ladrone) with 25; and Pelew with 5.

Japan secured control over these islands through a mandate granted by the Peace conference. The protest of the United States was based mainly on a ground that Yap is indispensable for the purpose of cable communication with the Pacific, and communication with the Pacific.

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The Weather

FORECASTS.
Moderate to fresh easterly to northerly winds; cloudy and cold, with light local snow today and Wednesday.

Low areas centered last night over Alberta, Lake Michigan and off the New England coast are centered this morning over Manitoba, Virginia and off the Nova Scotia coast respectively.

Pressure is relatively high over the Pacific States and Hudson Bay region. The weather has been mostly fair and calm in the West, and cloudy and colder in Eastern Canada.

Temperatures.
The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

	High.	Low.
Calgary	48	36
Winnipeg	32	20
Edmonton	28	16
St. Paul	26	14
Toronto	34	18
Kingston	34	16
Ottawa	34	14
Montreal	32	22
Quebec	32	22
P. Point	32	22
St. John	40	32
Halifax	38	30

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 38; lowest, 24.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 30; lowest, 24.

Barometric Readings.
Monday—8 a.m., 28.77.
Tuesday—8 a.m., 28.75.

BLAMES U. S. FOR VIENNA FOOD RIOTS

MAY SUGGEST MONEY PARLEY IN WASHINGTON

Lloyd George, Rumor Claims, to Broach Project to President Harding.

BRIAND TO VISIT ENGLAND
French and British Premiers May Come to United States Together.

London, England, Dec. 12.—Rumors of the possibility of an international economic conference in Washington, which have been current here during the last few days, are the subject of comment in the London morning newspapers today. It is not assumed that such a conference has been decided upon, but the success of the armament conference has aroused hopes that the economic troubles of Europe might be settled by a similar gathering.

Connected with the rumors are more or less vague reports that Mr. Lloyd George and Premier Briand of France intend to go to Washington together after the French premier's visit here next week. The Daily Mail claims to have received official information from Downing street that Mr. Lloyd George is unlikely to go to the United States for some months, but instead purposes taking a vacation trip to Southern France after the coming Parliament session.

May Deem Time Fitting.
The Times says: "The suggestion is hazarded that after next week's conference with Mr. Briand, Mr. Lloyd George might not deem the moment inopportune to lay the whole question of the needs of shattered Europe before President Harding, who undoubtedly has the warmest sympathy for the stricken continent."

Should Lloyd George be invited to the initiative in appealing to him to summon another conference to consider world economic and financial conditions, the appeal, it is thought, might not be unavailing.

The Daily Telegraph, while not regarding such a conference as yet more than an idea, says the idea has very considerable support. No single European government feels able to take the initiative, says the newspaper.

Fortunately, the progress of the present conference has given much increased solidity to the conception of a conference under United States auspices to examine the economic situation of the world.

Cannot Take Initiative.
No European government can afford any appearance of urging such action on the part of the United States, and the least hint thereof would only tend to defeat its own end.

After discussing some of the difficulties in the way of such a plan, the newspaper suggests that "any United States initiative would be welcomed with enthusiasm by every enlightened government."

MARTIN CRITICIZES POLICY OF MAHARG

In Accepting Resignation Premier Denounces Minister for Giving Press the First Information.

Regina, Sask., Dec. 12.—The resignation of Hon. J. A. Maharg, as provincial minister of agriculture, was accepted in the Legislative Assembly yesterday by Premier Martin.

The premier criticized Mr. Maharg for not submitting his resignation to the government in writing before announcing it in the press. Premier Martin stated, along with Mr. Maharg's letter of resignation, his own reply.

Mr. Maharg declared that on the occasion of his entrance into the provincial cabinet a few months ago, he was "promised the sympathy of the different members of the government in his freedom to support the Progressive party in their federal activities."

The premier denied that he had ever promised the support of the government to the Progressive party in federal activities, and announced publicly his opinion that the members of the provincial government should be free to follow their own desires in supporting federal parties.

He based his resignation on the premier's action in publicly supporting Hon. W. R. Motherwell as Liberal candidate for Regina and his criticism of the Progressive platform.

FORMER BARRIE TOWN CLERK DIES IN WEST

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 12.—Henry Bird, for 49 years town clerk of Barrie, Ont., died here Sunday in his 91st year. He has lived here 15 years.

Members of his family surviving him are Mrs. E. J. Williams, Barrie; Mrs. T. A. Bird, Toronto, and three daughters in Vancouver. He will be buried in Barrie.

RUSSIAN SOVIET BEGINS ACTION AGAINST REBELS

Riga, Latvia, Dec. 12.—Russian Soviet forces began on December 11, an active campaign to drive the insurgents out of Karelia, the border territory abutting Finland. Subsequent fighting in the Repola district was reported in progress today.

This action follows a Soviet note to Finland, dispatched December 5, in which it was demanded that Finland withdraw all support from the Karelian insurgent organizations, failing which Russia would consider herself compelled to take other measures.

Ulster Wroth at Treaty Terms

TOAST TO KING EXPUNGED FROM ALL PROGRAMS

People of Northern Section of Ireland Oppose Conditions of Agreement.

BISHOPS TO TAKE VOTE

Expect Dail Eireann Would Be Influenced by Church Leaders' Expression.

BULLETIN.
Dublin, Dec. 12.—The Irish bishops, following a meeting presided over by Cardinal Logue to consider the attitude as to the Anglo-Irish agreement, issued this afternoon a statement of a non-committal character.

It implored the divine blessing upon the deliberations of the Dail Eireann, and said that body would be sure to have the best interests of the country in mind.

London, Dec. 12.—Notwithstanding the refusal of feeling in Ulster against Britain, the great majority of the people are against going under the Dublin parliament, says the Belfast correspondent of the Morning Post. This follows a dispatch from the same correspondent on Sunday reporting a remarkable change of sentiment after publication of the treaty terms.

The business community and people generally, he says, are "smarting under a sense of irreparable injury" to a degree not experienced for a period of 150 years. The toast to the king has been expunged from the programs of all impending functions, as was done at several gatherings Saturday, and the correspondent adds that this is symptomatic of the grave change in the temper of the people.

Catholic Bishops To Vote On Treaty

Dublin, Dec. 12.—Cardinal Logue, primate for Ireland, and the bishops of every diocese convened here today for a meeting at which it was expected they would make some expression regarding the Irish peace treaty. The general belief is that they will vote overwhelmingly in favor of the treaty.

The executive committee of the Gaelic League also met, but any action by this body, it is thought will have little actual effect on the vote in the Dail.

The Dail session tomorrow will be held in the council chamber of the National University instead of the Oak Room of the Mansion House. It has been announced that the press would be barred from the session because of the small size of the Oak Room. The chamber is much larger than the Oak Room, and it is conjectured that the change means the newspaper correspondents will be admitted.

Eight Burn To Death in Detroit Suburb

DETROIT, Dec. 12.—Eight persons were burned to death in a fire that destroyed their boardinghouse near Royal Oak, a suburb, early today. Three others, a woman and two children, were badly injured and were taken to a hospital, where it was said their chances for recovery were slight.

One man and seven children are the dead, a man named Wakes and his four children, and three children visiting the Wakes' family.

OBTAIN CLUES TO O'CONNOR'S FLIGHT

Chicago Police Receive Card and Telegram Purporting To Be From Gunman.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Two more clues to the line of flight of Tommy O'Connor, condemned gunman, who Sunday, escaped with two companions from the Cook County jail, were given the police early today, and Detective Sergeants were hurriedly dispatched to investigate them.

A telephone call was received from the chief of police at Hartford, Wisconsin, that three men, one resembling O'Connor, had alighted from an early morning train and registered at a small hotel.

Latter Edward Hanson of Milwaukee, appeared at the police station and handed a card to Chief of Detectives Hughes, saying it had been given him by one of five men as he was about to leave Milwaukee for Chicago.

On the card was written, "Don't send anyone after me. I am innocent. Such obliged to Strauss. I will shoot the first man who puts his hands on me."

The card bore no signature and was addressed to the chief of police. One of the men, Hanson said, resembled O'Connor.

Receipt of a telegram from Peoria, Ill., purporting to come from O'Connor, also is under investigation.

English Novelist To Wed Idea!



MISS KATHLEEN GEIPEL.
(Special to The London Advertiser.)

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Just like the heroine of a W. L. George novel. As beautiful, as witty, as attractive, as modern. Miss Kathleen Geipel, W. L. George heard about it. He met her. Now, in truth, she'll be the heroine of a W. L. George romance. For the novelist will marry her this month. And they'll sail for Montreal Dec. 21, and spend their honeymoon on the American continent.

Miss Geipel is an expert tennis player and a talented pianist. She'll be the novelist's second wife.

JOHN MCCLARY LAID TO REST

Veteran Employees of Firm Act As Pallbearers.

GERMAN SHIPS IN PRIZE COURT SOLD

Prices Secured by Lord Inchcape Considered Satisfactory.

LONDON, England, Dec. 12.—(Canadian Press Cable)—With the sale, just announced, of sixteen large German steamers to British buyers, Lord Inchcape has now disposed of all the 465 former German ships allocated to him by the government for sale, except one ship.

Four prize steamers, including Field Marshal, 6,100 tons, have also just been sold. At the prices obtained, the sales were considered very satisfactory from the point of view of the present state of the market.

Lord Inchcape is a merchant, senior partner in MacKinnon, MacKenzie & Co., Calcutta, Bombay and Rangoon, also MacNeill & Co., Calcutta, India, and of Gray, Davies & Co., London. He is a director in numerous business enterprises and banking institutions and has served the British Empire in a number of important positions at home and abroad.

BOSTON ANXIOUS ABOUT ELECTION

Four Non-Partisan Candidates Running in Mayoralty Contest.

Boston, Dec. 12.—The municipal election in this city, which had been preceded by a stirring campaign for mayor, was the high spot in a day of 17 Massachusetts city elections today.

Only the keenness of the contest here would bring out a big vote under the weather conditions that prevailed, it was agreed, snow and rain during the night made bad footing for women voters, who were taking part in a majority election for the first time.

Four candidates were on the ballot for the mayoralty—all without party designation, John R. Murphy, former fire commissioner, had the backing of the good government association and the endorsement of Governor Cox.

Former Mayor James M. Curley was supported in his campaign by his personal organization which has ramifications extending to most of the voting centers of the city.

Charles O'Connor, a member of the school committee, and Charles S. Baxter, former mayor of Medford, making the campaign with impromptu organizations, pushed it hard. The issue, however, it was almost generally conceded, lay between Curley and Murphy.

All the candidates but Baxter are Democrats in state and national politics. Baxter is a Republican. In eleven of the other cities, mayors were to be chosen. These cities were: Chelsea, Lawrence, Lynn, Newton, Somerville, Worcester, Everett, Lowell, Malden, Melrose and Woburn.

GIBSON IS RE-ELECTED MAYOR.
Yorkton, Sask., Dec. 12.—J. B. Gibson was re-elected mayor here today.

MASONS LOOK FOR BOOM IN 1922 BUILDING

U. S. and Canadian Contractors, Convened in London, Radiate Optimism.

ANTICIPATE RECORD YEAR

President Gillespie Urges Steps To Admit More Apprentices to Craft.

At the Tuesday morning session of the Mason Contractors' Association here, the formulating of resolutions for presentation at the afternoon session was the chief business. Reports on building conditions for the next year were also heard. The trend of these reports revealed an unexpected optimism among the builders concerning the prospects for the year 1922.

Tuesday afternoon the convention will deal with the resolutions to be brought in by the resolution committee and will hear the report of the advisory board and a committee on recommendations.

Letter of Greeting Read.
A letter was read Tuesday morning from Thomas Price, first vice-president of the International Union of Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers, extending the best wishes of the executive board of that union to the convention.

The president, R. M. Gillespie, in his report to the Mason Contractors' Association delegates at the Monday afternoon session of the convention, dealt with one of the foremost questions in the building trades today, namely, the problem of apprentices, a question which will be thoroughly threshed out on the floor of the convention before the sessions close.

He stated that the statistics of the International Brotherhood of Bricklayers, in normal times there were Turn to Page 4, Column 6.

Blames U.S. Greed

Noted Banker Tells Why Starving Austria Hates America.



FRANK A. VANDERLIP.

In a special interview with a London Advertiser representative the famous international financier, Frank A. Vanderlip laid bare his view of Europe's ills.

1,000 MENNONITES GO TO ALABAMA

Yellow Pine, Ala., Dec. 12.—One thousand Mennonites, occupying 18 cars, arrived here today from Regina, Sask. The colonists brought with them cows, horses, sheep, household effects, vehicles and farming implements, and they are prepared to immediately start housekeeping, and preparation of the soil for next year's crop. An advance guard had purchased lands and provided temporary shelter.

The Mennonite colony is situated in the heart of the Alabama lumber belt, where timber is plentiful and the soil productive.

WOOL WAREHOUSE DESTROYED

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 12.—The wool warehouse of the Pastoral Finance Association at Kirrahall was virtually destroyed by fire today. The damage is estimated at £400,000.

F. A. VANDERLIP CLAIMS GRAIN BARONS BALKED

Famous Financier Declares Arrangements For Loan to Austria Were Stopped.

URGES CENTRAL BANK

Predicts Germany's Finances Will Collapse Unless Reparation Demands Modified.

BY EDWARD THIERRY.
(Copyright, 1921, London Advertiser.)
Scarborough, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Will Europe, struggling with a crucial economic illness, adopt Frank A. Vanderlip's international bank plan in order to get back on its feet?

The famous financier, back from many months' survey of Europe, says the initiative must come from across the water.

"I have simply written the prescription," he says.

In an interview at "Beechwood," his home here, where he is at work on a book dealing with Europe's financial ills, to be published shortly in six languages, Vanderlip says that he gave a London Advertiser representative his first elaboration of the plan and discussed its effects.

Central Europe Near Collapse.
"Establishment of a central bank is necessary," he said, "because the countries of central Europe are headed for financial collapse."

"This is not a matter of prediction—some of them have collapsed already. Austria, for example."

"The inevitable effect of governments' printing billions of fresh paper currency is continued depreciation of their money."

"As things stand now there is no escape for Germany. She isn't balancing her domestic budget by many billions, to say nothing of paying her reparation bill."

"It is not certain that an adjustment of the reparation demands would save Germany from financial collapse. But it is certain that unless there is a change in those demands collapse will follow."

Moratorium Not Necessary.
"Can the two-year moratorium, now being discussed, save the situation?" Vanderlip was asked.

"A moratorium would be only a postponement," he said. "Much more is necessary. A moratorium would delay the collapse—it would not avert it."

Germany's situation was cited as having the most serious world effect. Vanderlip said a collapse there would be so contagious as to seriously affect all Europe.

"You can figure for yourself the disaster of a German financial collapse," he said. "Consider what it might do to France—a nation that has 65 billion francs in short term notes floating—mostly running in six months' notes—that are backed in the market by the gold and indemnity. Think what that means—\$12,000,000,000 worth of notes that would be rendered doubtful of German collapse! It might be the need of revolution."

Blames America for Riots.
Vanderlip then made this sensational statement: "The United States was wholly responsible for the riots in Vienna December 11."

"America has been feeding Vienna's children," he explained, "but that nation has preferred bread in one hand and a stick in the other. It was an unconscious but a colossal error. The grain furnished since the war, Austria is starving—and therefore rioting—this winter."

"All arrangements were made, in London and elsewhere, to give Austria a new loan of \$25,000,000 to tide her over the winter. Other claims had to be subordinated to the new loan. Every European nation had its claims against Austria subordinated. The grain path was cleared except for the grain corporation's claim."

Blames U. S. for Negligence.
"We of this world have attention to the critical European situation that we didn't even get up enough interest to refuse to subordinate the claim. It was tied up with other international matters before the United States Congress—and we did nothing about it."

"In Europe they think we have blocked a program that would have tied Austria over. The riots Dec. 11 are the forerunner of something infinitely worse."

RATHENAU TO PRESENT REPORT TO REICHSTAG

Berlin, Dec. 12.—Dr. Walter Rathenau, former minister of reconstruction, is expected to go before the economics committee of parliament today to report upon the result of his negotiations in London, regarding Germany's financial situation.

Upon his arrival here early yesterday morning, he went into conference with Chancellor Wirth, their conversation lasting several hours.

Throughout yesterday, official quarters steadfastly refused to divulge the nature of the news Dr. Rathenau had brought back from London.

Rumors that he had returned with the promise of a loan or the aid of Britain in obtaining a moratorium for Germany, which found no verification in official quarters, had marked effect upon the foreign exchange market.

The German mark made a recovery, and foreign values were gradually beaten down, the dollar losing thirty points during the day. Meanwhile, German stocks were thrown on to the market in the effort of sellers to secure funds with which to meet current obligations. This resulted in a fall of one hundred points in several stocks. On top of this came the announcement that 2,000,000 paper marks were printed in the first week of the new month.