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Washington, April 16.—Rain to night; Thursday unsettled.						
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## ALLIES AGREE ON TERMS, ASSERTS BRITISH PREMIER; ANY INTERVENTION IN RUSSIA STUPIDITY, HE INSISTS

### WAS AUTHORIZED TO USE ALL FUNDS, WHEELER DEFENSE

Prosecution Must Show Intent to Embezzle, Court Rules

WITNESS SAYS PEPPER DEMANDED PROSECUTION

Mrs. Harriet R. Joyce Cross-Examined in Trial of Former Judge

The defense of former Judge William T. Wheeler, on trial for alleged embezzlement from the Joyce estate, virtually was outlined today in the cross-examination of Mrs. Harriet R. Joyce, Wheeler's prosecutor.

George Wharton Pepper insisted that criminal action be brought against former Judge William T. Wheeler, otherwise he would have nothing to do with the case, testified Mrs. Harriet H. Joyce today, for alleged embezzlement.

"Mr. Pepper refused to represent me unless I prosecuted Wheeler," the witness stated. She added that Mr. Pepper said that as a citizen he could not acquiesce to any settlement and would not agree to any settlement of such a matter.

Mr. Pepper testified yesterday at the trial of the former judge in Quarter Sessions Court, and told of showing Wheeler a statement of indebtedness which the defendant acknowledged as "virtually correct."

William A. Gray, attorney for the former judge, endeavored to establish these points:

Offers of settlement were made and refused.

Former Judge Wheeler acted as business agent for the Joyce estate and not as a lawyer.

The defendant had ample authority to use the funds of Mrs. Joyce and the Joyce estate as he is said to have done.

A ruling regarded as deeply significant by spectators in Quarter Sessions Court, City Hall, where the trial is in progress, was made by Judge Johnson.



**HUGH S. GIBSON IS APPOINTED FIRST ENVOY TO POLAND**

Experienced Diplomat, Now at Paris, Will Be American Minister at Warsaw

Paris, April 16.—(By A. P.)—Hugh S. Gibson, secretary of the American embassy in Paris, has been appointed the first minister of the United States to Poland.

Mr. Gibson, who was born at Los Angeles thirty-seven years ago, has made a distinguished record in the diplomatic service of the United States, and in 1915 was reported engaged to Miss Elizabeth Asquith, daughter of the ex-British premier. He then was secretary of the American embassy in London.

Mr. Gibson was educated in California and Paris, entered the diplomatic service in 1908, when he became secretary of legation in Honduras, and in 1909 was sent to London. In the summer of 1912, while he was charge d'affaires in Havana, Cuba, he was attacked by a newspaper reporter. The assault became a subject of diplomatic correspondence. Later he went to Brussels as secretary of legation there.

### MAYORALTY POLL SHOWS LANDSLIDE FOR BUSINESS MAN

Hundred-to-One Support Given Commerce Chamber's Idea in City Referendum

VARE ANSWERS TRIGG'S CRITICISM OF STREETS

"Business, Not Politics," Key-note Sounded in Address at Rotary Club Dinner

Hundred-to-one support of the business-man type of mayor is given in votes thus far received in the Chamber of Commerce referendum of the city.

Announcement of this result shown in incomplete returns was made this afternoon to indicate the support given such a program of constructive business policy in city politics as was outlined last night by Ernest T. Trigg, president of the Chamber of Commerce. He spoke at the Rotary Club banquet on a new policy in city government.

Replies from 1300 members of the Chamber of Commerce are overwhelmingly in favor of the type of mayor suggested in the commerce body's statement of principles.

In addition all replies indicate support of the measures suggested for giving the city home rule, a budget system and a more effective and constructive administration.

Not only have replies been received from members, but endorsements are daily coming in from civic associations, business men's organizations, clubs and individuals pledging support to the Chamber of Commerce idea of clearing Philadelphia's political situation. More than 800 letters were sent out to such associations asking for an expression of opinion on the Chamber of Commerce program.

### GLOUCESTER CRASH HURTS TWO PAST 60, THEN INJURES BOY

4 Members of 'Last Man's Club' in Rapid-Fire Mishap En Route to Shad Dinner

An automobile on its way to the annual planked shad dinner of the Last Man's Club, Camden lodge of Elks, and carrying four men, each of whom is more than sixty years old, dodged a motorcycle at the corner of Broadway and Hudson street in Gloucester last night, dashed up on the sidewalk, tore away a heavy telegraph pole, and seriously injured two of the men and a boy who was sitting on a nearby doorstep.

Lewis H. Leigh, seventy years old, and assistant tax collector of Camden, is in the Cooper Hospital, Camden, with a fractured shoulder blade. Jeremiah Beaton, sixty-five years old, of Camden, suffers a possible fracture of the skull, and is in the Homeopathic Hospital.

Martin Shaw, twelve years old, 238 South King street, who was sitting on the step, suffered a concussion of the brain and is in Cooper Hospital.

The two other men in the car, who were on their way to Westfield, were Byron Cobb, and H. O. Fletcher, both of Camden. The driver of the car was Lionel Hoffman, Jr., of 1425 South Fourth street, Camden. According to State Inspector Mines, who made the investigation, the accident was unavoidable.



**PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE** British premier, who explained the work of the Peace Conference before the House of Commons today

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### TEUTONS WILL SIGN TREATY, IS BELIEF IN PEACE CIRCLES

War-Weariness Will Not Disturb Scheidemann Government Before Negotiations With Allies Are Completed

By CLINTON W. GILBERT

Paris, April 16.—With the date for the arrival of the German delegation at Versailles set, the only speculation here is as to how long it will take the enemy to decide to accept the Allies' terms. There is no doubt in Peace Conference circles but that the Germans will sign the treaty eventually.

There is greater optimism now over the prospect of Germany signing than at any time since the great German scare started after President Wilson's return from America.

It is now generally believed that the Scheidemann government will last until peace is signed and that the Germans will sign the treaty. There are many reasons for this faith. In part, it is a reaction from the fear of the last few months and a natural confidence springing from the work accomplished by the conference.

Germany Will Sign

But other more solid reasons exist. Bolshevism has not made much progress in Germany recently and the capacity of the German army to deal with strikes and uprisings everywhere in Germany is indicated. In addition Germany wants peace and for this reason is not likely to overthrow the existing government which, by public speeches, by arranging demonstrations in Germany and by sending economic commissions to confer with the Allies at Spa, Cologne and Versailles has been negotiating peace for some weeks.

German Rule Will Last

In other words, the strength of the Scheidemann government depends on the same things as the strength of the Clemenceau government. The people don't want to change rulers while in the process of peace-making. Moreover, even if the Scheidemann government should fall, the public demand for peace in Germany is so strong that its successor, even if it were Bolshevik, must resort, even if it were Bolshevik, to some terms of peace almost on the Allies' own terms.

The demand for peace is so strong, so nearly universal, that the conference can count surely upon the signing of some treaty with some German government in the not-distant future. Besides the loyal and efficient army, the Scheidemann government has another powerful means of controlling German people, namely, control of food. Under the system of food control built up during

### PEACE IS NEAR, LLOYD GEORGE TELLS BRITAIN

Conditions Will Be Presented Germany by End of Next Week

PRIME MINISTER SPEAKS TO HOUSE OF COMMONS

English Leader Denies United States and Europe Were at Odds

TELLS OF NEAR-CONFLICT

England's Chief Envoy Declares Stern Demands Will Be Made by Allies

High Lights in Address by Premier Lloyd George

Premier Lloyd George in his address to the House of Commons today declared:

"The Allies have formulated stern peace demands which will probably be presented next week.

Military intervention in Russia would be the greatest act of stupidity. It would be better to let Russia starve. Bolshevism than see Great Britain bankrupt.

"The United States and Europe are not at variance in the peace conference.

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The Allied representatives in Paris arrived at a complete understanding on the great fundamental questions that would effect peace with Germany, Lloyd George said. The Allies had formulated their demands, and he hoped that by the end of next week they would be presented.

The British premier said that it was his earnest conviction that military intervention in Russia would be the greatest act of stupidity.

"It is not true that the United States and Europe have been at variance," the premier declared. He deprecated attempts to sow dissensions among the peace delegates.

"The time spent by the Peace Conference in framing the league-of-nations plan saved time instead of wasting it. Mr. Lloyd George declared, as the league would provide a means of adjustment of possible errors.

Questions have cropped up at the Peace Conference which imperiled the peace of Europe, but the premier believed that the conference had surmounted those difficulties.

The premier made a vigorous attack upon those who had "attempted to sow dissension, distrust and suspicion" between the nations whose "cordiality and good will toward each other was essential." He could not conceive of a worse crime, he declared, at a time when nothing could save the world but keeping the nations together.

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Delay Publishing Terms

The delegates, said Mr. Lloyd George, had never forgotten what France had gone through and they had not forgotten to what she was entitled—not merely security against a repetition of the German attack, but to feel a sense of security against it. The conference had come to a unanimous conclusion on all the questions before it, including a decision that to publish the peace terms before they were discussed with the enemy would be a first-

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District Allotment Is Also Increased to \$393,623,669

MANY PARADES PLANNED

POISON SUSPECTED IN DEATH OF MAN FOUND NEAR HIGHWAY

Stranger Discovered While Still Breathing on Bensalem Pike. May Be Brooklynite

LIFE PAYS FOR BABY'S PLAY

Two-Year-Old Gets Matches While Mother Is Away

SCHLESWIG WILL VOTE

Referendum to Be Held to Settle Nationality Issue

ARREST ALLEGED SLASHER

Missing Reading Italian Is Captured at Utica, N. Y.

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