

TREATY IS APPROVED BY BRITISH COMMONS

Lloyd George Stands Pat on
Kaiser's Trial—Disappoints
Sinn Feiners

TRIPLE ALLIANCE FAVORED

By the Associated Press

London. July 22.—At what was virtually an all-night session, the House of Commons completed its consideration of both the German peace treaty and the Anglo-French convention.

The bill carrying approval of the German treaty was considered in committee of the whole, exciting lengthy debate, in which Premier Lloyd George took an active part. The bill was then placed before the House and passed its third reading, after a motion by John Devlin to reject it as a protest against the premier's attitude toward Ireland had been defeated by 163 to 4.

Then, at 3 a. m., the Anglo-French pact was taken up and the bill agreeing it was unanimously adopted after a short but sharp debate, in which the argument that the treaty was not consistent with the spirit of the league of nations failed to find any substantial echo.

Treaty Not Altered

The German treaty passed through all its stages without amendment.

In concluding his speech on the treaty, Premier Lloyd George, while making no claim of perfection for it, expressed confidence that any defects would be remedied by the league of nations. Notwithstanding its imperfections, the premier declared, the treaty would stand as a "lighthouse in the deep and a warning to nations and rulers of the nations against the perils which the German empire shattered it self against."

Mr. Lloyd George ridiculed the suggestion that his attitude toward Ireland had changed. He said he adhered to his position announced in the general election and was prepared to defend it after war. The Home Rule bill, he added, could have none rule for themselves if they wished it, but they could not force it on Ulster.

Lloyd George's recent announcement that the former German emperor would be tried before a tribunal in London had created much discussion among political members, particularly Mr. Robert Crewe-Milnes, who was in favor of the advisability of the trial being held in London. The selection of a neutral country for this purpose, it has been contended, would have been better.

Assists on Kaiser's Trial

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Sir Samuel Hoare, Unionist for Chelmsford, warned the government that some of the Unionists considered the settlement of the Irish difficulties just as urgent as did the Irish members.

The premier again laughed at describing the Irish convention which had failed to agree as his attempt to apply President Wilson's principles to Ireland.

Says Ireland's Not a Nation

Answering Mr. Devlin's demand for a referendum, he urged that the difficulty was that Ireland was not a nation, but two nations in race, religion and temperament and outlook—in fact, in everything constituting the fundamental conditions of life. Until this difficult bridge was crossed, it was hard about self-determination, and most Irishmen definitely faced this difficulty he despaired of any settlement.

T. P. O'Connor, Nationalist, expressed profound disappointment over the premier's speech. He asked whether his contract with regard to Ireland. He declared that two men had created the Sinn Fein, one was Sir Edward Carson, the other was Mr. Lloyd George.

BRITISH MINERS STILL IDLE

200,000 Continue Strike, Despite Efforts of Sir Eric Geddes

London. July 22.—Sir A. P. G. S. Eric Geddes, minister without portfolio, who was named as a government commissioner to try to settle the strike of more than 200,000 miners in the Yorkshire district, conferred with mine-inspectors there today. Not one of the mines in either the west or south of Yorkshire is operating.

Water continues to rise in the mines, as none of the naval pump men ordered by the government has arrived. Men at Devonport and other naval stations, however, have been told to hold themselves in readiness to move at once. The striking miners will fight to a finish," said Herbert Smith, president of the Yorkshire Miners' Association. He advised the men not to interfere with navy pumpers who might be sent to the mines. He said the miners' federation had nothing to do with the disputes in the Yorkshire district and that the strike will go on until the miners get their rights under the Sankey report."

GOVERNOR VETOES 5 BILLS

Turns Down Claim of Editor for Publication of Amendments

Governor Sproul today announced his veto of five bills relative to suits or claims against the state.

In vetoing a bill to allow George E. Vickers, editor of the Evening Herald, of this city, to sue the state on a claim assigned to the estate of H. A. Balfour, for publishing constitutional amendments, the Governor says he is informed that a check for the bill was sent to the owner of the paper and cashed and that the Balfour claim arises out of a statement that Mr. Balfour advanced a sum equal to that due for publication of the amendments, took an assignment and gave notice, contending that the state should have paid him instead of the assignor. The Governor says the assignment does not bind the state.



RENNER WILL NOT SIGN STERN PEACE

Austrian Leader Says Teutons
Must Induce Allies to Ease
Up Exactions

JAPAN MAY PROVE PLEDGE

By the Associated Press

Paris. July 22.—Dr. Karl Renner, head of the Austrian peace delegation, declared he would "not sign engagements which he knew could not be executed," in commenting on the peace terms, prior to his departure from St. Germain for Feldkirch, according to morning newspapers.

Doctor Renner, according to these reports, protested against "the unheeded and uncompromising attitude of Austria, Austria and Germany," and, he added, "let us try to submit to the Entente, completely unbroken, our great distress and so obtain a peace with conditions that will be acceptable for our country."

The British delegation is known to be leading a compromise movement, which may result in Japan putting into writing the formal agreement said to have been entered into by Japan for the restoration of Shantung to China at some fixed time.

Shantung Issue Awaits

Since the debate in the United States Senate on the Shantung question has assumed great importance in conference circles, and especially among peace delegations other than that of the United States.

There is much speculation in Peace Conference circles as to whether the American delegation will accept the invitation to participate in the negotiations. This resulted in a message being sent to Washington from the American delegation asking whether the United States intends to affix its signature to the document.

Senate Change Situation

It was generally understood before the peace conference began that the President expected the United States would sign both the Bulgarian and Turkish treaties, but the opposition in the Senate to the German treaty and the possibility that the United States may make reservations concerning the signing of the German treaty in the interest of certain delegations regarding America's proper part in the Balkan negotiations.

This uncertainty probably has been heightened by rumors in Paris that the United States will not accept the American delegation's proposal that the members of the Chinese delegation say that no compromise has yet been reached which will make it possible for them to sign the German treaty.

It is known, however, that the Entente powers are working on a plan to affect a change in the Japanese delegation.

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