

HIGHLIGHTS IN GREY'S LETTER UPHOLDING U. S. TREATY STAND

London, Feb. 2.—Lord Grey, in his letter to the London Times on America's attitude toward the peace treaty, sets forth the following salient points: No change of bad faith can be brought against the United States. The Senate is an independent element in the treaty-making power. Its refusal to ratify the treaty cannot expose either itself or the country to a charge of bad faith. It is not fair to represent the United States as holding up the treaty solely from motives of party politics. One of the traditions of America is abstinence from European entanglements. The League of Nations is not merely a plunge into something which America's traditions have hitherto disapproved. Hence the desire for reservation. Without the United States the league may become little better than a league of allies for self-defense. Without the United States the league will lack physical and moral force and will be torn by European inter-racial jealousies. With America in the league war may be prevented and armaments discouraged. Without the league the catastrophe of war will arise and the United States again will be compelled to intervene. It would be a mistake to suppose that because Americans wish to limit their obligations they propose to play a small part in the league. If America enters willingly with limited obligations American action in the league may be more fruitful than if America entered as a reluctant partner. It is in this hope, spirit and expectation that the Allies should consider American reservation. The reservation of America does not in any way challenge the right of the self-governing dominions of the British Empire to exercise their votes, nor does it say the United States will necessarily reject a decision in which those votes have been cast.

EXPLAIN MYSTERIOUS GERMAN ARMY ORDER

Insane Ex-Officer Blamed for Instructions to Mobilize by March 1

Berlin, Feb. 2.—(By A. P.)—General staff officers throughout Germany recently received a mysterious order, supposed to have emanated from the war ministry, predated "strictly secret." It gave instructions to the officers respecting the organization and equipment of new army units which were to be held in readiness for instantaneous mobilization. The order contained detailed directions concerning recruiting and organization stores, aviation squads and other units and specifically ordered that 600 fliers, equipped for bombing flights, should be in readiness by March 1 to break through on the west. Some of the newspapers printed the document yesterday, accompanying it with a semi-official declaration that its author, an insane former officer, was arrested Saturday and is now in a sanitarium. This declaration adds that "mobilization of the order might likely be construed by the Entente as a breach of the peace treaty and evidence of disloyalty" and says it, therefore, is given publicity with the purpose of indicating its origin.

Dutch Get Tobacco Monopoly Vienna, Feb. 2.—Authorization for a foreign loan, with a monopoly on tobacco as security, has been authorized by the National Assembly, and the government has decided to contract with a Dutch organization, which will advance 20,000,000 florins.

GERMAN ENVOY 'NON GRATA'

War Activities of Von Lucius May Cost Him Post at Rome

Berlin, Feb. 2.—The German Government will, in all probability, cancel the appointment of Baron von Lucius, temporary diplomatic German representative in Rome, as a result of attacks upon him by French and other continental newspapers. They charge that he carried on espionage and propaganda in connection with a mission to Sweden during the war. Baron von Lucius is also under suspicion of having been in active touch with the Russian Bolsheviks.

It is learned from a reliable source that the Quirinal has virtually notified Wilhelmstrasse that the baron is persona non grata. The Tagblatt blames the Foreign Office for "awkward procedure" in selecting and dispatching envoys and charges before governments affected have been consulted. Baron von Lucius and Dr. von Rosen, whom Spain rejected, are the only trained diplomats on Germany's new list of envoys.

CALLS BRITISH FINANCIERS

Chamberlain to Assemble Economic Conference, Probably on Thursday

London, Feb. 2.—(By A. P.)—The informal conference on the economic situation which Austro Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer, will hold with various financial and commercial experts probably will take place Thursday.

Among those invited are Viscount Bryce, former ambassador to the United States; former Premier Asquith; Reginald McKenna; ex-chancellor of the exchequer; Baron Incheape, president of the Institute of Bankers; Sir Robert Kindersley, chairman of the war savings commission; Sir Donald MacLean, M. P.; J. H. Thomas, the labor leader; Walter Leaf, chairman of the London County, Westminster and Paris Bank; and Lord Robert Cecil.

Lodge Will Move for Treaty Debate

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confirmed his authority. He will yield just so much. He will not be called upon to yield more. So far as the campaign is concerned, his position is strong. The voters can be told that the Lodge reservations were regarded as proper even by the foreign powers concerned.

Up to the present the more isolated the President has become the more obstinate he has become. Bryan's speech made him angry and provoked his suggestion that the treaty issue be taken into the campaign. No one ventures to say what the Grey letter will lead to.

LONG SENATE DEBATE ON TREATY FORESEEN

Washington, Feb. 2.—(By A. P.)—Countering the Democratic move to take up the peace treaty again in the Senate, Republican leaders today gave notice that they would formally ask the treaty up for debate next Monday, one day earlier than the Democrats had decided on. The development was regarded as practically assuring another long period of discussion.

In giving the notice in the Senate, Senator Lodge said he would first ask unanimous consent to proceed to "consideration of the treaty with reservations." "I trust," he added, "that unanimous consent certainly will be given. In case it is not, I shall make the necessary motion to suspend the rules."

In view of the notice given previously by Democratic leaders that they would move to take the treaty up Tuesday of next week, it was predicted that little opposition would develop from any quarter. Democratic and Republican leaders are understood to be preparing reservations to offer as soon as the treaty goes on, and it adds that the necessary motion to suspend the rules. If Senator Lodge finds it necessary to move for suspension of the rules the motion will require a two-thirds majority, but the general prediction was that more than that number would support it. Not only those who favor ratification in some form, but some of the treaty's irreconcilable foes are ready to vote to reopen the debate.

Should Senator Lodge's plans fail, however, the motion of the Democratic leaders the following day will be in such form that only a majority would be necessary to pass it, the party leaders say. The Democrats contend that no suspension of the rules would be necessary to take up the treaty and that position is expected to be upheld by Vice President Marshall. An appeal from his decision a majority only would be needed to sustain him.

LONDON IS READY TO ACCEPT U. S. VIEW

London, Feb. 2.—(By A. P.)—It is evident from the tone of editorial comment on Viscount Grey's estimate of America's position on the League of Nations that it set forth conditions little understood before. With the situation clearly explained

by such an authority, newspapers here seem willing to give the United States the benefit of the argument that she is unwilling to make a radical departure from her former policy without due consideration. The letter is viewed as a powerful appeal to America to enter the league, and the Sunday Observer pleads for the establishment of the league quickly, even if it is only a consultative body without the United States.

"Let us meet the United States so liberally and boldly as to leave her not an excuse for standing out," the newspaper says. Complaints over reservations proposed by the United States Senate should be stopped, the newspaper says, and it invites the United States to "send over a shipload of them," adding: "The more America's reservations are intimated the less she is inclined to insist upon them."

Nations, big and little, are showing their worst sides to each other, the paper goes on, and it adds that the "heart and soul" of Viscount Grey's plea is patience. After saying "there is a deplorable tendency to cast the responsibility for Europe's troubles on American shoulders," the Times says the viscount's statement arrived at a most opportune moment, and "those who dissent will find misunderstanding removed and comprehension established."

Cable Briefs

London is looking forward to the most notable season in a generation. The election of Lady Astor to the House of Commons and the entrance of many other brilliant women into public life mark the opening of a season which is expected to be filled with interesting social events. The hope of many social leaders that the Prince of Wales would be the lion of the hour has been destroyed, however, by his tour to Australia.

Theodor Wolff, in the Berliner Tageblatt, denies that Germany will seek a way out of her present financial difficulties through bankruptcy. He declares that the position of the German Government is a difficult one, but that Ebert's policy is honest. "Apparently only two solutions are possible," he says. "Either the peace treaty must be modified or we must get help in the way of long-term credits in foreign countries."

Germany in Paris are anxious to see the League of Nations include Germany on even terms with the Allies. They declare it will not last a year unless this is done. Petition of Germany for admittance to the league, it is reported, will be presented when the council meets in London.

Mme. Tynaire, the well-known writer, declared in an address to a congress of women's clubs in Paris yesterday that the women of 1920 are frivolous, but sad, just as they were following other wars. She urged men to help them think more sober thoughts and live quieter days. "All the women on the morrow of the war," she says, "are in a process of adaptation, and we see that they have not become completely adapted to a form of life which astishes them and hurts them."

Joffre and Pétain, as military missions to Warsaw and Bucharest to enlist support of Poles and Rumanians in military operations against the Bolsheviks is the latest proposition being considered by the French war ministry.

Many streets in towns and villages of the devastated regions of France, which were drained for President Wilson, were refitting back to their old names as the work of reconstruction progresses.

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