

WILSON BLOCKING LEAGUE, SAYS TAFT

President Alone Prevents U. S. From Upholding Honor Among Nations, He Charges

REPUDIATES OWN PARTY

(An Editorial reprinted from today's Public Ledger.)

The greatest obstruction to an effective League of Nations at present is Woodrow Wilson. A League of Nations cannot be effective unless the United States joins as a member. The United States cannot join the League of Nations unless two-thirds of the Senate ratifies the treaty which it becomes a member. Mr. Wilson knows, or should know, that neither in the present Senate nor that in the new Senate, which will gather on the fourth of March next, can two-thirds of the membership be induced to vote for the League of Nations without the Lodge reservations. The Senate's ratification under the constitution is as necessary to make a treaty as the President's initiation and approval.

Mr. Wilson's letter, written in answer to the chairman of the Democratic committee of Oregon, completely destroys any hope that he will consent to the Lodge reservations, and proves conclusively that he will continue to the end of his term insisting on ratification of the treaty without any change. It is authoritatively stated that he intends to veto the joint resolution declaring peace with Germany and to re-submit the treaty for action by the Senate. He, therefore, will put himself in the position of maintaining a state of war until the end of his term. He demands that the Democratic convention at San Francisco shall make the issue in this campaign "the League without reservations or no treaty at all."

The President's letter is a message in language which would inspire, if it had any foundation of fact to sustain

the glowing sentences. Were he to accept the Lodge reservations, he would become a member of the League of Nations in which all the other nations but the United States would be bound to one another by the four great peace-making provisions of the league, to wit: (1) The limitation of armaments, (2) The mutual guaranty of Article X, (3) The enforcement of submission to judicial settlement of disputes by universal boycott, and (4) Open diplomacy. The reservations would relieve the United States from the guaranty of Article X, but from none of the other obligations. Forty Democratic senators agreed to either of two forms of reservations as to Article X, releasing the affirmative obligation of the United States under Article X and leaving the whole matter under the article to the discretion of Congress. The same forty senators agreed to the Lodge reservations to the Monroe Doctrine, except that they wished to say the same thing only twice instead of saying it three times as the Republicans had said it. Mr. Wilson repudiates the action of all the Democratic senators as well as that of the Republicans. Mr. Wilson's words, interpreted in the light of the facts, show that unless he can secure the agreement of the Senate to Article X, of which he is the author, without any qualification of it, he is willing to destroy the whole league.

The real friends of the league who have no political bias or personal pride of authorship are anxious that the league with the Lodge reservations shall be ratified as the only way in which ratification can come. They believe that it is most valuable for the world even without Article X, and the other nations agree with them. They believe that with the power of amendment provided in it, its defects, as experience shall show them, can be remedied. Mr. Wilson's objection is that the United States must be bound, to use military force, to maintain the territorial integrity and political independence of all the members of the league.

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3 Taupes Coney	120.00	79.50
4 Australian Opossum	106.00	49.50
5 Jap Mink	190.00	125.00
6 Jap Kolinsky	225.00	84.50
	165.00	110.00

The other members of the league, who would naturally be interested in preserving the United States' obligation under Article X, are willing to release it if only the United States will give life and strength to the league by joining it and complying with its three other great provisions for preserving peace. Mr. Wilson says that he will not permit the United States to enter the league unless it assumes a burden to others they do not ask. Woodrow Wilson is himself the chief agent in preventing the United States from upholding its honor and performing its duty as a member of the family of nations.

URGES TEXTILE MERGER

Clergyman Speaks in Behalf of 'One Big Union' in Clothing Trade

Boston, May 12.—(By A. P.)—The committee on resolutions of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, in convention here today, had under consideration a proposal that their organization unite with the Amalgamated Textile Workers of America.

A. J. Muste, general secretary of the textile workers, urged consolidation, to be followed by a gradual expansion of the organization to include workers of every textile and clothing trade in "one big union."

The suggestion of Mr. Muste, a clergyman who was prominent in behalf of the striking textile workers at Lawrence a year ago, was received enthusiastically by the convention. He said the proposed merger had the approval of



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