

Naval Conference Ends Without Results But Kellogg Still Has Hope

Seven Weeks of Discussion Apparently Get Three Nations Nowhere in Matter of Naval Limitation

THEY THANK GIBSON

British and Japanese Delegations Cordial; Gibson Makes Final Speech Explaining Disagreement

Washington, Aug. 4.—(AP)—Hope of the Washington Government that the efforts for further naval limitations which failed today at Geneva can be resumed at an early date was indicated in a formal statement issued today, by Secretary Kellogg.

Geneva, Switzerland, Aug. 4.—(AP)—The Tri-Partite Naval Conference came to an unsuccessful end today. After nearly seven weeks of discussion the delegates of the United States, Great Britain and Japan found themselves unable to reach an agreement on the limitation of cruisers, destroyers, and submarines which was the object of the conference.

The end came after Hugh S. Gibson, chief of the American delegation had made the final address of the session, the conference adopting a joint declaration adjourning the conference sine die.

The immediate adjournment came after a vote of thanks had been adopted for Mr. Gibson, the motion being made by W. C. Bridgeman, chief of the British delegation, seconded by Admiral Viscount Ishii of Japan.

In his final address to the conference restating the American position, Mr. Gibson head of the American delegation pointed out that the invitation to the conference by President Coolidge left room for doubt as to the nature of the proposal the American delegation would make.

From the first however, we encountered a serious difficulty in the claim of the British government that it needed a considerably larger number of cruisers than it now possesses. Mr. Gibson said:

He added that while the British claim had been defended on the ground of absolute naval needs of the empire the American delegation never had been able to reconcile "the concession of absolute naval needs with the limitations of a treaty to fix limitations on the basis of mutual consideration."

Further, he said, "we have not yet been able to understand why, in a time of profound peace and at the moment that we are seeking to reduce the burdens of naval expenditures, the British government considers a considerable program of naval expansion as an absolute and even a vital necessity."

Calling attention to the British suggestion for strict limitation of the larger type of cruiser armed with eight inch guns and for limiting all smaller craft to six inch guns, Mr. Gibson said the smaller ships would be of relatively small use to the United States for lack of cruising radius and protection.

The immediate and obvious result of acquiescing in these British proposals," he maintained, "would have been that the British Empire would have been able to build exactly what it desired and that we, on the other hand, would be restrained from building what we considered we might need, and yet the tonnage levels insisted on by the British Empire would result in a substantial increase over present strength."

Workers' Party Has Meeting In Protest Fuller's Refusal

New York, Aug. 4.—(AP)—A meeting arranged by the worker's party for this afternoon as an anti-war meeting has been changed into one on behalf of Sacco and Vanzetti, Bertram Wolfe of the party's executive committee announced after word came of Governor Fuller's refusal to interfere in the case.

The change was made, Wolfe said, "in view of the emergency which gives those innocent men only six days to live unless labor saves them" the change, he added, is regarded "as only a preliminary to the development of big general protest action."

SHAWBORO SOON SHIPPING POINT FOR CURRITUCK

Faster Service on Potatoes Both Irish and Sweet Is Seen in Truck Rail Transportation

WOULD SAVE A DAY

Currituck Potatoes Now Shipped Via Elizabeth City by Boat Late Day on Boat in Transit

Establishment of a new produce buying and shipping center at Shawboro, Currituck County, some 12 miles east of here, is foreseen as a result of completion of a system of good roads giving ready access to Shawboro from all points on the Currituck peninsula.

Heretofore, the bulk of Currituck's large Irish and sweet potato crops has moved to Elizabeth City by boat, and thence to Norfolk via the Norfolk Southern Railroad. From Norfolk, the potatoes are diverted to destinations in the marketing centers of the country.

Growers and produce men are enthusiastic over the idea of establishing a shipping center at Shawboro, the railroad point nearest the Currituck growing area. They hold that potatoes can be shipped readily by motor truck to that point, loaded on cars, and move North a day ahead of shipments to this city by boat from the same growing points.

From the standpoint of buyers, they point out that Shawboro is a drive of but 15 to 20 minutes by automobile from Elizabeth City, where ample hotel facilities will be available next season, through completion of the new Virginia Dare Hotel. This city also would be convenient from the standpoint of the growers, they explain, by reason of the excellent banking and other facilities here.

Chief among the advocates of the Shawboro shipping point is L. Carl Baum, lately of the Buxton White Seed Company here, which has been engaged in the produce business for some five years. In addition to the seed business, Mr. Baum, who is a native of Currituck County and has been actively interested in the Currituck potato movement since boyhood, declares it would solve the problem of prompt market deliveries on Irish and sweet crops, upon which the farmers of the county depend mainly for their income.

Mr. Baum recently has severed his connection with the Buxton White Company to accept a position as produce buyer with the Atlantic Commission Company, a subsidiary of the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, and will be stationed in this territory during the spring and summer produce movements.

The Elizabeth City Chamber of Commerce has been looking closely into the feasibility of establishing a produce market at Shawboro. Secretary Job, who has been directing the investigation, today cited figures showing that already Currituck farmers are taking advantage of the opportunity afforded there.

Mr. Job tendered railroad shipping statistics giving the movement of Irish potatoes from Shawboro as 18 cars in 1925, and 24 cars in 1926. This spring, with the hard surfaced road system to Currituck Courthouse completed, the shipments jumped to 162 cars. In the matter of sweet potatoes, shipments in 1925 totaled 30 cars, and the total in 1926, with the hard surfaced road finished and opened at the last end of the movement, jumped to 59 cars—virtually double the preceding year's figure.

The Norfolk Southern Railroad, anticipating the increasing demand for loading facilities at Shawboro, has established a 19-car loading track there, and is spreading cinders on the approaches to it to facilitate the movement of trucks. It is expected that the railroad will put in additional track for next season, according to Mr. Job.

Rio Makes Protest; Embassy Guarded

Rio Janeiro, Brazil, Aug. 4.—(AP)—A protest, "in the name of the city of Rio Janeiro and American culture and civilization" against the execution of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, has been unanimously adopted by the municipal council.

The American Embassy and Consulate here are under police guard.

Peace Bridge to Canada Ready for Dedication



The new peace bridge connecting Buffalo, New York, and Port Erie, Canada, has been completed and is to be dedicated August 6. Below are (left to right) the Prince of Wales, Vice-President Dawes, Secretary of State Kellogg and Premier Stanley Baldwin, who will assist in the ceremony. The bridge is to commemorate the 100 years of peace between the United States and Canada and serve as a reminder that there are no fortifications on either side of the border from coast to coast.

STEPS TO BUILD BRIDGE AND ROAD ON BEACH BEGUN

Committee Launches Activities for Organization of Association to Open Up Coastal Region

KUGLER FAVORABLE

Steps toward the organization of an association to promote the construction of a bridge across lower Currituck Sound, and a road from that point along the North Carolina coast some ten miles to the point where a bridge from Roanoke Island, now under construction, connects with the beach, will be taken at a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce tonight at 8 o'clock.

The committee was appointed at a meeting of the Merchants Bureau of Elizabeth City Tuesday night. The value of the proposed road and bridge is seen in that it will make available immediately to motorists from all parts of the country the Nation's birthplace of aviation on Kill Devil Hill, and the scene of the first English settlement in the New World on Roanoke Island.

One of the prime motives behind the activities of the committee is to make available to America and the world a great monument to aviation to be erected on or near Kill Devil Hill. This memorial was authorized at the last session of Congress, and plans for it are being formulated by a committee consisting of the Secretaries of War, Commerce and the Navy.

The distance across Currituck Sound is approximately three miles, mainly of very shallow water. An engineer formerly an official in the Navy recently made a survey of conditions there, and tendered an estimate of \$100,000 as the probable cost of the structure.

Frank C. Kugler, of Washington, member of the State Highway Commission from the First District, made a trip over the route of the proposed bridge and beach highway some two weeks ago, and expressed himself as heartily in favor of the project, inasmuch as this scant 13 miles of construction would provide an unbroken system of improved highways reaching from Manteo, easternmost county seat in the State, to Murphy, the westernmost.

Persons who have travelled along the present unimproved beach road from Manteo to the lower end of Currituck Sound are enthusiastic over the beauty of the scenery, with the great ocean on one hand and the placid North Carolina sounds on the other, with great sand dunes looming in the distance through the woodlands that stretch along that part of the coast.

The completion of the Chowan Bridge, affording a new neighborhood between the Northeastern counties and the remainder of the State, and news that the approaches to the bridge are to be hard surfaced in the coming year, has added new impetus to the efforts of persons here who foresee a great new development for the section through the proposed construction projects to make the beach lands more accessible to tourists and vacationists.

Lindsay C. Warren, member of the House of Representatives from the First North Carolina District, has committed himself as enthusiastically in favor of this lower end of Currituck Sound and other developments to bring the outside world to Northeastern Carolina's vacation land. It is anticipated that the work of the preliminary committee will lead to an organization through which the efforts of all the Northeastern Counties can be combined to put across the projects.

Three More Bodies Are Found In Mine After Explosion

Clay, Ky., Aug. 4.—(AP)—

Three unidentified bodies were found early today by rescue workers in the number 7 mine of the West Kentucky Coal Company, where an explosion occurred yesterday. The total number of known dead was seven with nine men still missing.

Positive identification has been made of the bodies of James Meyers, 60, George Cole, Mark Townsend and Arthur Shelton, all found yesterday. The three bodies discovered today were those of miners in the list of 12 men from whom the rescue workers are pushing their search.

The explosion yesterday occurred on the tenth entry of the mine and the four bodies found on the seventh level. The rescue workers were hampered in their progress as all the brattices of the pit shaft were destroyed in the explosion.

They were forced to construct new brattices as they went down into the pit and had progressed as far as the eighth level. The 12 men who are missing were believed to be on the tenth level where the explosion occurred. Little hope is held that they are alive.

The air in the mine was reported to be bad and Byrd Sampson one of the 41 one rescue workers, was overcome by after damp. He was brought to the surface and revived through first aid treatment. No fire has been discovered thus far.

President Of Mine Killed By Relative

Columbus, O., Aug. 4.—(AP)—

Difference of opinion regarding the operation of the Lick Run Mine near Nelsonville, resulted today in the killing of C. J. Merz, president of the Lick Run Company. Jim McManaway, Merz's son in law, surrendered to county authorities declaring he had killed Merz in self defense.

McManaway had approved the position of union miners and held an office in the local union organization. Merz had been operating the mine on a non-union basis. The killing was regarded by authorities as a personal affair and not indicative of a flare up between workers and union adherents.

Currituck Sweets Starting To Move

The Currituck sweet potato crop will begin moving in bulk about the middle of next week, according to produce brokers here who are in close touch with North Carolina's premier sweet producing area. There have been scattered shipments this week, mainly of the lower grades.

In anticipation of the heavy movement ahead, the first group of State and Federal inspectors arrived Wednesday, a trio headed by D. C. Griffin, in charge of the deal. They were in Currituck Thursday, looking over the situation and grading a few preliminary shipments.

Market quotations are ranging from \$5 to \$7 a barrel on sweets, with dealers and growers anticipating a strengthening in the demand next week as growing sections farther South finish moving their crop. The Currituck yield is declared to be approximately normal, and thus decidedly better than last year's, which was reduced by an unfavorably cold and dry growing season.

CANAL PURCHASE IS STILL 'IN AIR'

No Conclusion on Title Is Reached Yet, Chief Engineer Advises

No change in the status of the Government purchase of the Dismal Swamp Canal, authorized by Congress some two and a half years ago, is reflected in a letter from Brigadier General Herbert Deakne, acting chief of engineers of the War Department, to Representative Lindsay C. Warren.

The letter was in answer to an inquiry from Mr. Warren, who in turn had written in response to a query from the Chamber of Commerce here.

Brigadier General Deakne wrote that the Attorney General still was considering the abstracts of title and other papers submitted by the Lake Drummond Canal Company on September 15, last, but that he had reached no conclusion. Representative Warren forwarded copies of the letter to the Chamber of Commerce and The Daily Advance. It follows:

Honorable Lindsay Warren, Representative in Congress, Washington, N. C. My dear Mr. Warren:

1. I have the honor to reply to your letter of the 25th instant requesting information regarding the Dismal Swamp Canal purchase.

2. The Lake Drummond Canal & Water Company, owner of the canal, agreed to sell at the price fixed by Congress, and in furtherance of the sale furnished the Department abstracts of title, and plats and descriptions, covering its rights of way and realty holdings in the States of North Carolina and Virginia. These papers were transmitted to the Attorney General September 15, 1926, for examination and for opinion whether the company can by properly executed deeds convey to the United States the title to the properties. The matter is still under consideration in the Department of Justice, and it is understood that a conclusion has not yet been reached.

3. The purchase of the canal cannot be consummated, of course, until I have the honor to receive the title to the properties. The matter is still under consideration in the Department of Justice, and it is understood that a conclusion has not yet been reached.

Very truly yours, HERBERT DEAKNE, Brigadier General, Acting Chief of Engineers.

Veterans Meet Next Year At Tarboro In Re-Union

Raleigh, Aug. 4.—(AP)—After a stirring plea by Col. S. S. Nash, Assistant Adjutant General and chief of staff, the North Carolina division, United Confederate Veterans, today decided to meet in Tarboro, Edgecombe County, in twenty-first annual reunion next year.

The selection followed a good natured argument over the virtues of Tarboro and Gastonia, extolled by Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle, Gastonia, and playful reference as to which place had the prettiest girls.

Congressman Bulwinkle said he hoped "in the language of the President of the United States you will 'choose' not to go anywhere else" but Col. Nash, himself in line for the commandership of the division, made a long appeal, backed by a Tarboro delegation. The vote was 47 to 47 among those remaining for the final wind-up of the business session. Unanimous re-election reinstated all officers of the division.

LOSS ON MARKET DISTURBING CITY GOVERNING BODY

Marketmen Request Elimination of Zone in Second Ward, Claiming Competition Is Ruining Them

DEFICIT IN OPERATION

Rentals Ran \$2,240 Below Expenses Last Fiscal Year, Conger Declares; Outside Dealers Rapped

Confronted with a flat loss of \$2,240 in the operation of the City Market last year, and with that loss steadily mounting, the City Council met yesterday in conference with a delegation of the marketmen to consider the situation and find a remedy, if remedy there was.

Competition from the zone created in the Second Ward some two years ago, in which markets may be operated, but from which deliveries are prohibited, was blamed by the marketmen for most of their troubles. They held also that rents were entirely too high in the City Market, and advanced the argument that if these were reduced to what they termed a reasonable figure, with abolition of the zone, the outside market operators would be forced into the City Market, and it would return to a self-supporting status.

Charge Law Violation Members of the delegation, notably Milton Love and Bob Davis, charged that deliveries were being made from markets in the zone, in violation of the law. Mr. Davis mentioned having visited one of these markets recently, and said that during his visit, two orders for meats were received over the telephone. While he did not see the deliveries made, he declared "he was positive the orders were delivered."

Tom and Marion Love, Maurice Pappendick and Thomas Crank were the other marketmen present at the meeting. They urged also that immediate steps be taken to correct conditions which they said were threatening to drive them out of business.

The market zone is the northwest part of the city lying within the angle formed by the intersection of Harney and Parsonage streets. While this zone, with its four markets, was the principal bone of contention, objection was voiced also to the operation of other markets on the outskirts of the city, notably on Southern avenue, extended, and in Euclid Heights. The marketmen demanded that these competitors of theirs be prohibited from making deliveries within the city, claiming that they, too, were violating the law in that respect.

While reference to the financial status of the city, by Councilman E. C. Conger, member of the market committee, reported that the cost of operating the market during the year ending June 3, with proper allowance for depreciation, was \$9,000. The rentals totalled \$6,760, he stated, leaving a net loss of \$2,240.

Many Stalls Empty Milton Love held out strongly for a reduction in rents in the building. He declared that more than half the stalls were unoccupied, and describing his own experience in undertaking to make a profit on operating several stalls ranging from \$70 to \$110 a month. He said he finally had to limit his space to one stall, though most of the year he needed more room. With the Second Ward zone abolished and rentals reduced, he predicted that the City Market would return immediately to the self-sustaining basis of 1924 and 1925.

At the close of the discussion, Mayor Flora promised that a remedy for the situation would be found. The Council voted to hold a second session some time in the next week or so, at which the marketmen in the zone would be accorded a like privilege to be heard.

Not To Join Chamber

The Council denied a request from the Merchants Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce for an appropriation of \$300 to cover a year's membership in the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, in order to give Elizabeth City participation in the publicity being broadcast by that organization. The bureau was represented by Secretary Job and W. O. Saunders.

The request was turned down on the twofold grounds that the \$300 was not available for the purpose, and that there was insufficient time in which to procure satisfactory pictures for a projecting machine to be taken to county fairs in this and other States during the next few months. Mr. Saunders stated that the pictures must be ready for use within two weeks, and expressed strong doubt whether satisfactory ones could be obtained in so short a time.

As the concluding act of the afternoon, the City Fathers voted to adopt the pit type of sanitary toilet for installation at such scattered points in the city where sewer connections could not be made. A representative of the State Board of Health, present for a few minutes, had stated that the pit type met the requirements of the board, except in certain localities. He was given authority to meet these special conditions as he saw fit. The pit variety of toilet is least expensive of all permitted by the State Board, he declared.

Byrd's Polar Expedition Will Cost About Quarter Million Dollars He Says

DOUBT DWINDLES THAT PRESIDENT IS OUT OF RACE

Tumult and Shouting That Tried to See Double Meaning in Words of Coolidge Is Dying Out

MEANT WHAT SAID

There Appears No Reason to Believe That President Was Trying to Be Mysterious in His Statement

Rapid City, S. D., August 4.—(AP)—The opinion that President Coolidge's statement that he does not choose to run for president in 1928 might have more than one meaning dwindled further in the summer capital today and the belief had become almost positive that he has unequivocally eliminated himself from occupancy of the White House after March 4, 1929.

Several reasons for this belief comes most prominently to the fore in Rapid City. First, it is pointed out, Mr. Coolidge could scarcely have used any other than the word "choose" in making his pronouncement and still keep the country from thinking him to be presumptive to the extent of believing the nomination next year actually was his. Had he said: "I will not run for President in 1928," he would have presumed, it is held, that the Republican convention would nominate him. It is argued further that if Mr. Coolidge had said, "I will not be a candidate for the Republican nomination in 1928," the same controversy would have arisen with the belief that the President was merely declaring himself not a candidate but not that he would decline the nomination if forced upon him.

Second, it is declared by those in regular touch with the President, that by his statement Mr. Coolidge closed the door to pledged delegates from some states which hold their primary elections before the National Convention. In those states, it is necessary for an aspirant to certify himself in order to make a primary election result legal. It is held that if the President had any desire to continue in the White House, he would not have gone out of his way to eliminate himself from the race.

Third, it is pointed out that the statement could in no way be construed as leaving the President in an easy position to go one way or another in the event the nomination was tendered him. It is held that in the final analysis, when the time came for him to accept or reject the nomination the choice would be up to him and since he already has made his choice not to run, that there was little reason to hold he would reach a different conclusion.

In addition, the President by making his pronouncement was held to have tacitly assented to any other individual declaring himself a candidate and seeking support, because when he made his choice he exacted no promise that he could not expect the field to remain closed to others who do choose to run for President.

For some six months in the year, Mr. Byrd will be stationed in the Elizabeth City district, buying truck crops for the company, which maintains 50 offices in growing sections and marketing centers throughout the United States. The company supplies more than 16,000 A. & P. Stores, and sells to other dealers besides.

Seeking Recall Of Mayor Jeffress

Greensboro, Aug. 4.—(AP)—A meeting will be held here tonight to launch petitions seeking the recall of four of the seven members of the present city council. The movement is reported to be the result of dissatisfaction expressed in certain quarters that the four men have not voted to carry out certain changes in the police and city manager department of the city.

These changes, it is declared, were voted for at the city election recently. The councilmen whose recall will be sought are Mayor E. B. Jeffress, E. R. Ford, David White and W. M. Ridenhour. Approximately 1,200 signatures will be necessary before the recall election can be authorized.

During the cold weather months, Mr. Baum will maintain headquarters in Orlando, Florida, where he will be engaged in buying citrus fruits for the company. Mr. Baum was born and reared in Poplar Branch, Currituck County, being a son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Baum, Sr., of that community. He moved to Elizabeth City six years ago to become a partner in the Buxton White Seed Company, and has gained much popularity here. His wife is a daughter of State Senator P. H. Williams, of this city.

Miniature Modern City of Portable Houses Will Comprise Community for Scientists and Workers

ALL CONVENIENCES

Telephones, Heat, Radio, Airdrome, Tractors for Towing Planes and Transporting Supplies

New York, Aug. 4.—(AP)—The New York Evening Post today says Commander Richard E. Byrd's scientific expedition into the arctic promises to be one of the most stupendous undertakings in history and will cost about a quarter of a million dollars.

This Commander Byrd admitted, is an extraordinary large sum, but declared it really a very conservative one measured against the size of the expedition, the distance the supplies will have to be transported and the fact that two and perhaps three, years will be required for its completion.

Commander Byrd said that Edsel Ford will not be the sole backer of the expedition. He said conferences have been arranged with other men who have expressed a desire to back it financially. The commander declined to reveal the names of the projected backers. What is more important, he said, is the extensive preparations that must be made before the flight to the South Pole, which, in itself, will not take more than a dozen hours or so.

At the major base in Discovery Bay a miniature modern city of 30 persons will be constructed, portable houses will be brought from Norway to serve as homes and workshops for the scientists, mechanics, and fliers who will comprise the community.

The houses will be provided with telephones and heat will be furnished by coal and oil. A radio station, operating on a short wave length is expected to maintain communication with the United States. An airdrome will be erected at the edge of the city for the housing of the two planes that will be used in the expedition.

There will be no automobiles in the expedition but there will be several small tractors for towing the planes to the runways and for transportation of supplies.

A large amount of canned goods will be taken along but the party expects to depend for meat on birds, polar bears and other arctic animal life.

Commander Byrd said he and Floyd Bennett, his pilot on his flight to the North Pole, have been working on the plans for the last three weeks and have made remarkable progress.

Curtis Baum Joins Huge Produce Firm

L. Curtis Baum, Jr., connected with the Buxton White Seed Company, has retired from partnership in the company to accept a position with the Atlantic Commission Company, a subsidiary of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, he announced Thursday. While Mr. Baum is silent on the subject of his remuneration in his new work, it is reported from apparently reliable source to be \$5,000 a year.

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ENGLISH EDITOR ON WINSTON-SALEM VISIT

Winston-Salem, August 4.—(AP)—Touring the south, gathering data for a book in which he will describe the life and customs of various cities, Alfred E. Henderson, of Monte Carlo, France, former English editor, Riviera correspondent of the London Morning Post, and English editor of a Cote d'Azur, illustrated weekly published at Nice, is spending two weeks in Winston-Salem.