

THREE RESERVATIONS TO BE STORM CENTER IN DEBATE ON TREATY

Discussion Today Marks Opening of Final Chapter Before Vote

HARDING APPROVES ONE RESERVATION

Declares Pact Contemplates "No Alliance" And May Get By

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Three proposed reservations promise to become the storm centers of the treaty debate tomorrow under a unanimous agreement to vote final conclusions Friday.

One of these reservations is that the president should be authorized to accept or reject the treaty as a whole, and it is the only one that administration leaders expect to see in the final version of the treaty.

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The third is a blanket "no alliance" reservation originally framed by former administration committee members and abandoned by them after conference with President Harding and Secretary Johnson.

Other than the "no alliance" reservation, the other two are expected to be passed by the Senate, but the "no alliance" reservation is expected to be rejected.

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INTEREST IN RADIO PREVAILS THROUGHOUT THE NATION



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MISSISSIPPI IS RISING BEYOND FLOOD STAGE AND MENACING HOMES

Residents in Lowlands Warned To Flee Before Flood

REPORT GAUGE RISES HALF INCH AN HOUR

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 19.—Flood stage on the Mississippi river at Memphis was passed early today, when the gauge topped the 35-foot mark. The river is rising rapidly with a stage of 40 feet here and 49 at Helena, Ark.

The gauge at Memphis stood at 34.8 at 8 o'clock this morning and a few hours later topped 35 feet, which is flood stage here. From tonight until next Saturday or Sunday, when a stage of 40 feet here and 49 feet at Helena, Ark. is predicted by the weather bureau, the rise here will be rapid.

Back waters from the Wolf river and other small streams immediately north of Memphis are slowly spreading over the unprotected lowlands. Floodgates at several of the bayous north of Memphis have been closed for the first time in two years and several of the bayous are now being used to move off backwaters in the extreme northern end of the city are in operation tonight.

Takes Poison After Leaving Gay Party Youth Follows Action Of Girl Who Died Suddenly

BOSTON, March 19.—Death by poison ended the flight of Otto Halder Larsen, a senior at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from the gay party at which Pauline Virginia Clark, divorcee, ended her life early last Thursday.

Two letters signed by Larsen asserting that Miss Clark had long intended to commit suicide and that Larsen had supplied her with poison, were received by a Boston newspaper and Medical Examiner Magrath several hours after her body was found.

The letter related how Larsen had met Miss Clark six weeks ago and they had become intimate friends. She said she had intended to take poison before she met Miss Clark. She was the world's finest woman.

Larsen was taking a chemical course at the institute. He had been a frequent visitor at an expensive furnished apartment on Newbury street.

Harding Finds Congress Ready To Pass "Bonus Buck" Back to Him; May Yield Under Pressure

President Returns to Washington to Confront Worse Situation Than That Which Existed When He Took Vacation; Observers Wonder How Executive Will "Flop This Time"

WASHINGTON, March 19.—President Harding comes back to a peak of trouble. The bonus is in worse shape than when he left it. Congressmen will pass the buck back to him. If his course holds out he will continue to support the position of Secretary Mellon, and the great financial interests that take a like view.

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Youth Essays Part Of Hero and Saves Two From Lynchers

Placates Mobs and Baker Boys Are Taken to Jail After Slaying

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., March 19.—According to citizens of Durham, Ga., D. W. Williams, young manager of the commissary at the Durham coal mines on Lookout mountains, played a heroic role in the slaying episode that followed the killing of J. W. Morton.

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Young Dodge Facing "In Again, Out Again" Stunt; Leaves Jail

Speeder Will Again Face Court Tuesday On New Charges

DETROIT, March 19.—John Duval Dodge, millionaire speeder, will leave the Detroit house of correction tomorrow morning to face a fresh series of tribulations.

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America Will Wake Up, Says Poincare

PARIS, March 19.—"If wine were bad for the health this food would have been known since the days of the Romans and Greeks—since the genesis," said Premier Poincare last night at a banquet held in connection with the closing of "wine week."

HARDING TO DISCUSS BONUS SITUATION WITH PARTY LEADERS TODAY

LEADER MONDELL NOT YET DECIDED ON PLAN TO CALL UP MEASURE

WASHINGTON, March 19.—President Harding made an engagement today with Republican house leaders for tomorrow to discuss the soldier bonus situation. Because of appointments made before his return from Florida he was unable to accept their request for a conference tonight.

Does Not Believe White House Parley Will Change Plans, However

WILL TELL HARDING OF LOAN PROVISION

Declares Bonus Bill Is Best One Possible and Will Go Through

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Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, the Republican floor leader, said tonight the whole situation would be laid before the president and the committee would be asked to explain. Mr. Mondell would not venture an opinion as to whether the bill would be called up in the house tomorrow under a suspension of the rules, but he is confident that there would be no development at the white house conference that would cause serious alterations of the plan to put the measure through soon.

"We have no reason to believe that anything the president has expressed an opinion on," said Mondell, "and a bill that lays no more burden on the treasury next year than does the forthcoming road bill, for instance. We suspended the rules two years ago to pass the first bonus bill and there is good reason to handle the measure that way. There are men who have no responsibility in the matter who would come forward with amendments, not for the purpose of improving the bill, but to make trouble. If we have about the best bill we can get, there is no reason to embarrass our people."

Soon after Mr. Harding returned here today he had an hour's conference with Secretary Mellon at the white house. There was no official statement as to the conference, but it was understood that the bonus question was discussed.

An attack on the bonus measure was made in minority views which were made public today by Representatives Broadway, of Massachusetts, and Tilson of Connecticut, Republican members of the ways and means committee. They declared their belief that the bill, if enacted into law, would do more harm to the people of the country, the veterans themselves and their families included, than it will do good to the individual beneficiaries.

The committeemen centered their attack principally on the loan provision of the adjusted service certificate title and the land settlement title. They asserted that the loan scheme "seems to us just about as unsound economically and unfortunate for every point of view as the most arbitrary time as could possibly be devised."

The land settlement title, they said, "offers untold opportunity for reckless expenditure and is dangerous at the worst and uncertain at the best" and they added that this provision has been saddled up on this bill with the hope and expectation of carrying through congress on the sturdy backs of the veterans a measure so fraught with dangerous possibilities and uncertainties that it would receive scant support if forced to stand alone in the open on its own merits.

SMOKE CLOUDS GIVE CHICAGO AN ECLIPSE

CHICAGO, March 19.—A pall of darkest night descended on Chicago at 7 o'clock today as automobiles turned on their headlights, street signs in the downtown district were lighted and the telephone exchanges and newspaper offices were lit up with thousands of anxious quier.

The mystery was solved by the weather bureau which reported that a sudden shifting of the winds had piled up all the city's smoke in one monstrous cloud blanket through which not even a single sunbeam could force its way. The phenomenon lasted only a few minutes before the lifting of the cloud having the appearance of a second sunrise.

President Takes Up Soldier Aid Problem As First Business

Calls Parley of Officials and Illinois Legion Men To Hear Views

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Problems connected with the care of disabled soldiers were the first matters considered by President Harding today on his return from a ten-day vacation in Florida. The President called Director Forbes of the Veterans Bureau, Director Dawes of the Budget Bureau and Brigadier General Sawyer to meet Illinois officials of the American Legion in conference for the purpose of discussing the plan of government hospitalization and vocational training of former service men.

The Illinois officials were asked to state the criticisms which they were said to have against the present plan and to suggest an improvement or amendment they had in mind. The President made known his deep personal interest in the subject and the desire of himself and other government officials to do everything possible for the welfare of men whose disabilities have resulted from their serving the United States.

The special train conveying Mr. and Mrs. Harding and their children, which was scheduled to leave for Washington after noon, the run having been made on scheduled time and without incident. The executive and Mrs. Harding went out on the white house.

Others who returned on the Presidential special were Secretary and Mrs. Weeks, Attorney General Daugherty, Under-Secretary of State Fletcher, Brigadier General Sawyer and Secretary Christian.

Mr. Harding said he felt greatly benefited as a result of the rest and the numerous games of golf which marked his vacation stay, and declared he had a "really fine" time. He said that other members of the party voiced similar sentiments.

Secretary Weeks who joined the party at St. Augustine for the return trip said his vacation had put him in "tip top" condition.

AMERICAN SUPPLY OF GOLD CHANGES HANDS WHEN BAKER RESIGNS

E. F. SCOBEY OF TEXAS TAKES UP DUTIES OF DIRECTOR OF MINT

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Trusteeship for a third of the world's gold supply changes hands tomorrow when E. F. Scobey of San Antonio, Tex., succeeds Raymond T. Baker as director of the mint. Gold assets of the mint service institutions aggregate \$3,000,000,000. The world gold supply is estimated at approximately \$9,000,000,000.

Mr. Scobey, when he takes the oath of office tomorrow, assumes supervision of the government's coinage institutions and tons of precious metals. Distributed among the four institutions there are \$3,228,000,000 in gold bullion and \$260,000,000 in gold coin; \$42,000,000 in silver bullion and \$262,000,000 in silver coin; \$280,000,000 in paper currency and \$3,000,000 in minor, nickles and pennies.

Much of the enormous stock of gold is accounted for by the tremendous amount of that precious metal in this country since the war. The mint is required to purchase the yellow metal as it is offered unless it comes from Russia; the gold of the bolsheviks is taboo.

Summarizing his five year term as money maker for the government, Mr. Baker said that the coin demand upon the United States mints was larger during the calendar years 1917 to 1920, inclusive, than during any period in the history of the service. During the war period, he said, approximately 2,433,000,000 pieces or 44 per cent larger than in a normal pre-war year such as 1915.

STORM SWEEPS GEORGIA. MACON, March 19.—A severe windstorm, accompanied by heavy rain, swept across Georgia today. The extent of the damage, however, can not be ascertained here because of the loss of wires. There was more than an inch of rainfall.

STORM ALONG COAST. WASHINGTON, March 19.—The weather bureau tonight issued the worst storm warnings displayed along the Atlantic coast from Jacksonville, Fla., to Washington, and southward to Baltimore and East Port, Maine.