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TENSION BETWEEN TWO GREAT ALLIES

FRANCE FEELS DEEPLY GERMAN SINS OF OMISSION AS TO TREATY OBLIGATIONS.

COMPULSION FINAL REMEDY

The British seem to feel that their leadership among allies is somehow being disputed.

San Remo.—Discussion of what shall be asked of Germany, and how what is asked shall be exacted has begun by the supreme council.

Tension between the French and British delegations on this subject has been considerable.

The French are declared to feel deeply that they have been the greatest sufferers from Germany's omission in fulfilling her treaty obligations; that the reduction in coal deliveries keeps an important fraction of the French industries idle.

They say that Germany during the last nine months, had indicated clearly to the French mind that she intends to do nothing she cannot be compelled to do.

The British position is that although Germany has signaled in several extremely important respects and that she must be required to fulfill her obligations, she can be made to do so without further occupation of her territories and severe economic restriction. The British statesmen are inclined to look askance on the French aim and feel that leadership among the allies is being disputed.

Deficiency Appropriation Bill is Passed Without a Dissension

Washington.—When the House voted the deficiency appropriation bill providing \$389,000,000 for the railroad administration to wind up its affairs.

Ex-Premier Clemenceau of France Returns Home, Alert and Smiling

Paris.—Former Premier Georges Clemenceau, who has been visiting Egypt for the past two months, arrived here. He was alert and smiling.

The American Ambassador to Rome is to Attend San Remo Conference

Washington.—Ambassador Johnson to Rome, was instructed by the state department to attend the allied conference for the American government. He will not participate in the discussions or deliberations.

Much Delay is Anticipated in the Settlement of Workers' Demands

Washington.—The possibility of several months' delay in the settlement of the wage demands of the 1,000,000 railroad workers developed today during discussions between representatives of the roads and the brotherhoods before the railroad labor board when hearings on the demands were resumed.

CONDUCTORS AND SWITCHMEN HEARD

GREAT RISE IN THE COST OF LIVING URGED IN SUPPORT OF PLEAS FOR RAISE.

NO INTERFERENCE BY WILSON

Switchmen Demand An Approximate Raise of 55% With Time and a Half for Overtime and Sunday.

Washington.—Arguments on the wage increases demanded by conductors and switchmen were made before the railroad labor board by L. E. Shepard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, and E. W. Heberlin, president of the Switchmen's Union of North America. Both cited the rise in the cost of living during the past few years to support the idea for higher wages.

Demands of the switchmen call for pay increases of approximately 55 percent with time and a half for overtime Sundays and holidays.

Similar allowances are asked by the conductors, together with wages sufficient to live on a pre-war standard. They ask in addition an allowance for expenses when kept away from home.

Final setback to the efforts of the unauthorized strikers to get their cases before the board was given at the white house when Secretary Tuomey told representatives of the railmen's association that President Wilson would not intercede in their behalf as long as they remained away from work.

Germany Would Increase Size of Her Standing Army to 200,000

Washington.—Wilson's statement that the standing army provided for Germany by the terms of the treaty of Versailles.

Demand Made by Japan That Czech Troops in Manchuria be Disarmed

Harbin, Manchuria.—Japanese authorities in Manchuria have demanded that all Czech troops in this country be disarmed. This decision is a result of the recent clash between Czech and Japanese troops.

Six train loads of Czechs participated in the fighting, which resulted in 20 casualties in the Japanese ranks. The fight began over possession of a number of Russian prisoners which were being held by the Japanese.

Dominant Elements in China Will Merge and Organize a Parliament

Shanghai.—Dominant elements of the northern and southern Chinese governments will merge and organize a united parliament, probably in this city, in a short time.

Sun Yat Sen, first president of the Chinese republic and leader of the constitutionalists, and Tang Shao Yi, former premier of the Peking government, are here and 99 of the 500 members of the Canton parliament have arrived.

MUCH BUSINESS IN THIS LITTLE CITY

30 CARS FINISHED PRODUCTS LEFT THOMASVILLE EVERY DAY OF LAST YEAR

FINEST ON SOUTHERN ROAD

Two Big Textile Corporations will be Merged and Consolidated Plants Much Enlarged and Improved

Thomasville.—Thomasville grows in business as well as in population. During the past year 25 cars of finished material left Thomasville each day, or a solid trainload for every day in the year. This is known to be big business in the business circles of the south. The Southern Railway gives Thomasville the credit for being the finest business town, according to population, on its entire line from Washington to Atlanta. The Southern and C. & T. depot receipts as well as the postoffice receipts are mainly the index to the amount of business of this town, including the express office.

The Thomasville Knitting company, a new corporation, buys the Southern Finishing Mills and Thomasville Hosiery Mills, both of which will be consolidated under the new name, Crown, Finch and B. E. Vinson composing the new company. W. C. Pennington was the starter of these enterprises several years ago and has made a profitable business. The new company proposes to enlarge greatly the consolidated plants, an extensive two-story concrete building to be erected adjoining the present finishing building.

New York. (Special.)—Hull

Hydroplane Night Over the Bay when his machine became disabled and fell into the water. Thompson is the son of Francis J. Thompson, of Raleigh, N. C.

Elon Bank is Burglarized

Elon, Coloco.—Robbers entered the Elon Bank & Trust company, blew the vault door from its hinges, rifled all deposit boxes, and escaped with about \$15,000 in liberty bonds and other securities. It has not been determined whether several thousand dollars in currency deposited in the safe, located in the rear of the vault, was also taken, pending the arrival from Raleigh of a state bank examiner, to take charge according to custom.

The robbery occurred during the early hours of the morning.

Winston-Salem.—Dr. James I. Vance, of Nashville, Tenn., one of the South's leading Presbyterian divines and a pulpit speaker of wide reputation, will deliver the literary address at Salem college commencement May 2. This will be graduation day and is expected to be one of peculiar interest on account of the \$400,000 endowment and building movement which, it is expected will be completed by that time.

WAR IS PREDICTED BY PREMIER NITTI

WAR WITH TURKEY A MOST PERFECT PRODUCTION BY PEACE CONFERENCE.

ITALY WILL NOT APPROVE IT

Italy Says That Italy Will Not Send a Soldier into Asia Minor to Pay a Single Lire

Rome.—You will have war in Asia Minor, and Italy will not send a soldier nor pay a single lire," said Premier Nitti, the Italian premier, in an interview following a critical analysis by him of the Turkish peace proposals.

Italy has taken from the Turks the sacred city of Adrianople," said Nitti. "You have placed their capital city under foreign control; you have taken from them every port and the greater part of their territory, and the Turkish delegates whom you will send will sign a treaty which will have the sanction of the Turkish people or the Turkish parliament."

The Turkish treaty has been almost signed by the council. Premier Nitti gave his opinion of the treaty in the remarks he made to the council saying, "I am constrained to say to you that this treaty to my mind is a most imperfect production of the peace conference."

President of Congress May become Administration Task

Washington.—The president of the House of Representatives may become the administration task force.

The San Gabriel Valley Association of Americanization work in the United States, co-ordinating and directing the efforts of organizations now engaged in philanthropic and patriotic activities.

A California Mayor Orders News of Crimes and Arrests Suppressed

El Centro, Calif.—O. E. Ohmsted, El Centro's new mayor, has instructed Chief of Police Oliver to suppress all news of arrests and crimes. "Publication of sensational news of crimes does not in any manner benefit the purpose," declared the mayor, "and in many ways tends to lower the moral tone of the community."

Mississippi Valley Association Demands Prohibition of Strikes

St. Louis.—The Mississippi Valley Association at its closing convention session here adopted resolutions demanding that congress enact laws prohibiting strikes and lockouts; that legislation compelling the incorporation of labor unions be enacted so that they may be held to their contracts, and urged laws forbidding any person not an American citizen to become an officer of a labor organization.

REPLY OF McADOO TO QUESTIONNAIRE

AS "PRIVATE CITIZEN" ONLY HE DEFINES HIS POSITION ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS

REDUCTION OF FARM TENANCY

Absolutely Opposes Any Abridgement of the Right of Free Speech, of Free Press, or of Free Assembly

Washington.—Replying as "a private citizen" to the question issued to all candidates for presidential nomination by the national board of farm organizations, former Secretary McAdoo outlined his position on various propositions being agitated in the pre-convention campaign.

Mr. McAdoo declared himself for broader publicity for operations of the farm loan system; for means to bring producers and consumers closer; for representation of agriculture on boards and commissions "when consistent with public welfare;" for a secretary of agriculture "who understands actual farm conditions;" for reduction of farm tenancy; for the same service and supplies for the farmers organizations in interstate commerce as to private enterprises in the same circumstances; for regulation of monopolistic control of corporations interstate commerce and as "absolutely opposed to any abridgement of the right of free speech, free press or free assembly."

"I regard with concern," said Mr. McAdoo, "the tendency to restrict or impair those great legislative guarantees upon which rest the foundations and perpetuity of democratic institutions."

Washington.—House and senate conferees on the army and navy pay bill agreed to increase pay of both officers and enlisted men of both services.

President Wilson is Offered the Disposition of Erzerum Province

San Remo.—The supreme council of premiers decided to leave to President Wilson the final decision as to whether Erzerum shall be assigned to Turkey or Armenia.

The vialayet (or district) of Erzerum is a table land in Armenia and formerly a part of Asiatic Turkey. It contains the sources of the Euphrates river.

Claims of the Rival Candidates For The Presidency Show Divergence.

New York.—Claims to unpledged delegations, virtually conceded by rival candidates, show a wider divergence in the standings. These claims added to the instructed delegates, would show the following results:

Wood, 14; Slowden, 151; Nicholas Murray Butler, 58; Johnson, 37; Judge T. J. Fritchard of North Carolina, 22. Slowden made the greatest gain the past week, receiving 22 instructed delegates from Iowa.

MUCH TALKING BUT NO ACTION TAKEN

REPRESENTATIVES OF SUGAR REFINERIES CONFER BUT TAKE NO REAL ACTION.

EXPLAINING RAISE IN PRICE

An Abnormal Demand for Sugar Forces Dealers into Competition With Foreign Buyers.

Washington.—Representatives of large sugar refineries and department of justice officials, conferring here, progressed no further than discussion of the "whole sugar situation," they said. Reports indicated that another rise in sugar prices was in prospect. Howard Pies, assistant to the attorney general and in charge of the price reduction campaign, would not discuss proceedings of the conference. It developed, however, that much of the day's discussion bore directly on sugar.

Refiners who were in attendance at the conference said there had been "much talking but no action" thus far. Government officials who attended refused to divulge more than subjects debated nor would they indicate what efforts were under consideration to ward halting a further skyrocketing in prices. Refiners declared they could not guarantee adequate supplies without further increases. The abnormal demand for sugar has forced them into hard competition with foreign buyers, they said.

New York.—The American Sugar Refining Company announced it had advanced the price for bulk granulated sugar from 17 1/2 to 18 1/2 cents.

Government Upholds in 48 Cases Against Violators Pure Food Act

Washington.—Government charges involving violations of pure food laws were upheld in 48 out of 60 cases recently decided in federal courts. It was announced by the bureau of chemistry, department of agriculture.

French Foreign Office Notified of Hun Evacuation of the Ruhr.

Paris.—Dr. Goepfert, head of the German delegation in Paris, has handed the foreign office a note addressed to Premier Millerand, stating that the additional troops which had entered the Ruhr district, had all evacuated that district on April 21.

Claim is Made that Congress Will Save the Taxpayers \$1,500,000,000.

Washington.—Congress, by its drastic reductions in all appropriation bills, will be able to save the taxpayers of the country approximately \$1,500,000,000 this year republican leaders of the house predicted.

The saving represents the difference between the amounts the various branches of the government asked for in the annual estimates and the approximate amounts of the appropriation bills as they are being passed.

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