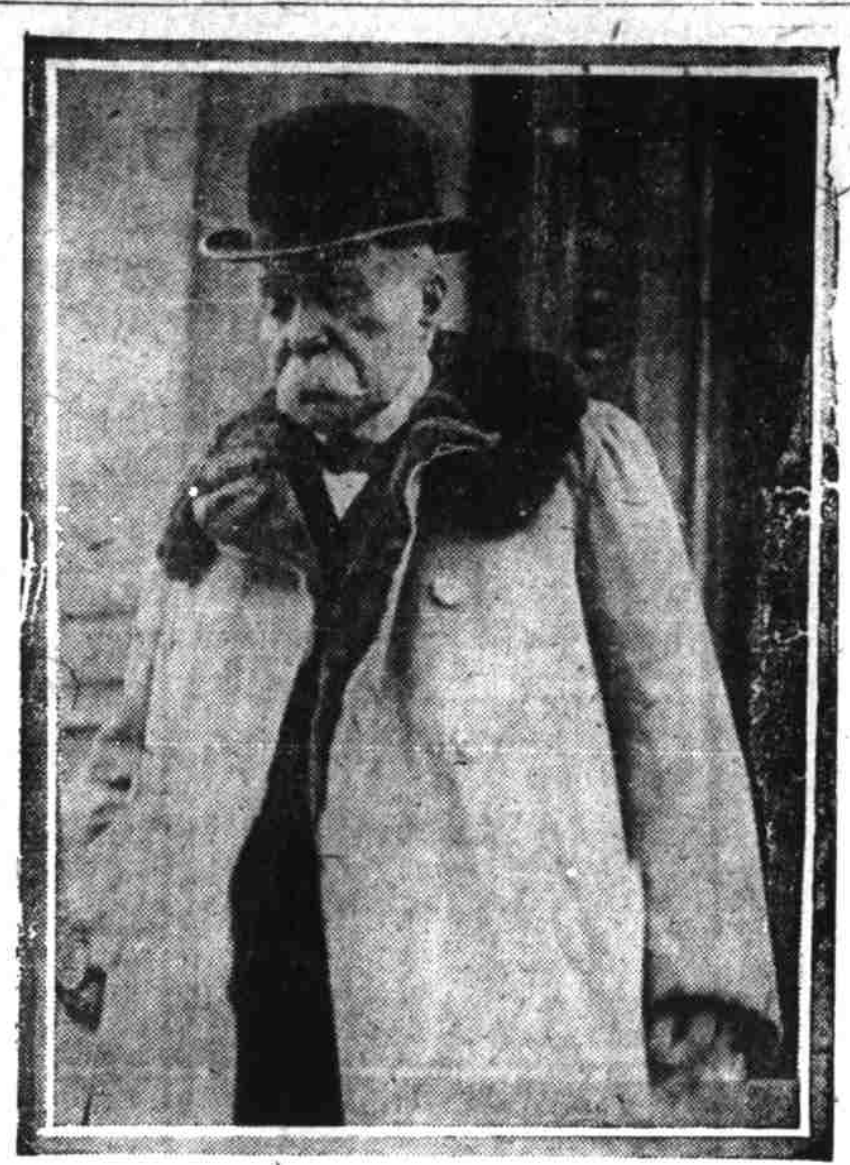


SECOND PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE DISCUSSES INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS

Leading Financiers and Business Men From 21 Republics of Western Hemisphere Meet to Consider Problems Arising From War - Pan-America Seeks No Selfish Purpose In Assisting World Reconstruction Says Wilson In Message of Greeting.

(By The Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Marked by the presence of the leading financiers and business men of the treaty of the twenty-one republics of the western hemisphere the second Pan-American financial conference opened here today for the consideration of international problems arising from the return of peace.

Guided by a purpose to serve one another and the world to the utmost, the president said in his message read at the opening session, real Americans will regard as a privilege the fulfillment of those obligations imposed by the great advantages enjoyed by Pan-American nations, which have given to the world "no small achievement" in eliminating the idea of conquest from their national thought.



Premier GEORGES CLEMENCEAU.—Familiarly known as the "Tiger" of France. It was believed that he would be elected president of France at the election held Saturday but he withdrew after it became known that he could not be elected. Paul Deschanel was elected instead.

MAY INDUCE KAISER TO PLACE HIMSELF AT DISPOSAL OF ALLIES

Allied Demand Causes Deep Emotion In Holland - Note Tells Holland That She Will Not Fulfill Her International Duty If She Refuses to Associate With Entente In Chastising Crimes Committed By Germans.

(By The Associated Press) BRUSSELS, Jan. 19.—Deep emotion has been caused in Holland by the allied demand for the extradition of former Emperor William, of Germany, according to a despatch. Belief is expressed at The Hague that measures will be taken with a view to inducing him to voluntarily place himself at the disposal of the allies.

authority the violation of principles essential to solidarity of nations, all of which are equally interested in preventing the return of a similar catastrophe. "It is the highest interest of the Dutch people not to appear to protect the principal author of this catastrophe, by allowing him shelter on her territory, and also to facilitate his trial which is claimed by the voices of millions of victims. (Signed) "CLEMENCEAU."

TEXT OF NOTE SENT TO THE HAGUE.

(By The Associated Press) PARIS, Jan. 19.—Holland is told in the allied note demanding the extradition of former Emperor William that she will "not fulfill her international duty" if she refuses to associate herself with the entente powers in chastising crimes committed by Germans during the war.

LONDON TIMES ATTACKS PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE

(By The Associated Press) LONDON, Jan. 19.—The Times, which ascribes the decision to reopen trade relations with soviet Russia entirely to Premier Lloyd George attacks him severely and says: "The statement that this decision leaves unchanged the attitude of the allies toward the bolshevik government is regarded as a palpable and insolent untruth."

600 CHICAGO NURSES VOLUNTEER TO CHECK SPREAD OF INFLUENZA; 1,200 CASES REPORTED

Health Department Officials Report That Cases Are Mild and No Serious Results Anticipated - Five Cases Reported From French Steamer.

(By The Associated Press) CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—A corps of 600 volunteer nurses today engaged in the combat to check the spread of influenza here. Operating from eight dispensaries the "nursing militia" began a survey of the city to determine the extent of the epidemic and to aid in relief measures.

While 1,200 cases had been reported to health authorities early today, it was said fewer cases were reported in the last 24 hours than during the preceding two days. Health department officials said the majority of the cases were mild. Fourteen deaths from pneumonia and five from influenza were recorded yesterday.

NOTHING ALARMING.

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Although there was a slight increase in the number of influenza cases, especially in the Chicago district, reported to the public health service today, officials said there was nothing alarming in the present situation.

FLU IN HAVANA.

(By The Associated Press) HAVANNA, Jan. 19.—Many cases of influenza have been reported in this city, but no authoritative statistics are available. A newspaper report states that 1,000 cases have been found here, but this assertion has not been corroborated.

ARCHBISHOP HAYES WILL NOT ATTEND MEETING.

(By The Associated Press) NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—Archbishop Patrick J. Hayes, of the Catholic archdiocese of New York, declined to attend today's meeting of the clergymen of the city under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon League. In a letter to W. H. Anderson, state superintendent of the league, he said that it was "extraordinary that the federal prohibition amendment should be singled out for particular attention above other statutes equally binding."

RUSHED FROM FOUR JAILS FOR SAFETY.

(By The Associated Press.) TUPELO, MISS., Jan. 17.—Tiley Marshall, accused slayer of four members of the Mitchell family at Amory, Miss., Thursday night, today was rushed from the Lee county jail here to an unknown destination, a crowd having gathered with the apparent intention of harming him. Marshall was taken from the jail at Amory to Aberdeen, from there to the Chickasaw county jail at Okolona, and then brought here.

FIVE CASES ON SHIP.

(By The Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—Five influenza cases were discovered on board the French line steamer La Lorraine, which arrived here today from Havre. They were taken to the isolation hospital on Swinburne island.

EFFORTS AT MEDIATION HAVE FAILED.

(By The Associated Press) STOCKHOLM, Jan. 17.—Efforts to mediate between employers and workers in Sweden have failed, and a lockout, to begin January 26, was declared today. As a result 980,000 men in engineering shops, iron works and other plants will be thrown out of employment. The Employers' Association may later extend the lockout to all skilled labor. A commission appointed by the government will begin work on Monday in the interest of conciliation.

RANLO MILL OPERATIVES OUT ON STRIKE

Part of the operatives at the Ranlo Manufacturing Company went out on strike this morning. From all information available it seems that the weaving-room operatives and a few of those in the carding and spinning rooms went out. The management of the mill anticipates no serious or long-drawn out differences with the strikers.

SIMS CRITICIZES CONDUCT NAVY'S END OF WAR

(By The Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Whether it will broaden the scope of its subcommittee's investigations so as to embrace the entire question of naval operations during the war or confine its hearings to the awards of honor decorations was under consideration by the senate naval committee today and a decision was expected before Rear Admiral William S. Sims resumed his testimony.

Admiral Sims Saturday criticized the conduct of the navy's end of the war. This resulted in a decision by the subcommittee to request the full committee for authority to extend the hearings to matters of a general sort.

Secretary Daniels, in a letter received today by Chairman Page of the committee, declared it was not he who had told Admiral Sims before the latter's departure of London in March, 1917, "not to let the British pull the wool over your eyes," and that the United States "would as soon fight the British as the Germans." In his testimony Saturday the admiral stated such an admonition had been given him "by a high official."

The secretary wrote that "at the proper time any fair-minded investigator will be convinced that the allegations reflecting upon the vigorous, effective and successful prosecution of the war, so far as the navy department and the entire navy are concerned, are based on opinions which are without justification." He further advised Chairman Page that Admiral Sims' letters to him entitled "certain naval lessons of the great war" had been referred to the general board of the navy for action.

MR. J. L. KEY STRUCK AND KILLED BY AUTO

Mr. J. L. Key, who had recently moved to Gaston county from Omaha, Neb., was struck and almost instantly killed Saturday afternoon about 3 o'clock near the Lindsay-McArver store by an automobile driven by Mr. Ivey Caviness. The tragedy occurred on the new stretch of bituminous road south of town near the Victory Mill, and according to witnesses was the direct result of reckless driving.

Mr. Key was married only a few weeks ago to a Miss Featherstone, of Gastonia. He had made arrangements with Mr. J. D. McLean to rent Mr. McLean's farm in South Point township and was preparing to move to the farm today.

After hitting the man, young Caviness drove on down the road, but later returned and was arrested. He was released under a \$1,000 bond. A preliminary hearing will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

It was stated that both Mr. Key's legs, an arm and his neck were broken when the automobile hit him.

POWHATAN'S PASSENGERS WILL BE TRANSFERRED

(By The Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The army transport Powhatan, in distress about 700 miles east of New York, reported by wireless to the army transport offices here at four a. m. today that although she was leaking and her boiler room flooded, she was in "no immediate danger." The 500 passengers were "calm and comfortable," the message said.

When the sea becomes smoother, the passengers will be transferred to the White Star liner Cedric, which is standing by. The transport will keep aloft several days, Captain Randall wirelessed. The United States shipping board steamer Western Comet, which is among the vessels nearby, will attempt to tow the Powhatan to Halifax, the nearest port, after the passengers have been transferred to the Cedric. The British steamer Bardi C. bound from London to New York, is another vessel standing by.

The Powhatan left New York last Friday for Antwerp. First news of the accident was received Sunday afternoon, when S. O. S. calls were sent out.

PASSENGERS UNCOMFORTABLE.

BOSTON, Jan. 19.—An intercepted message from the disabled transport Powhatan at 9:45 a. m. today was at variance with earlier reports as to the comfort of the passengers. The message said: "We are o. k., water practically stopped, but passengers were very uncomfortable with no heat or light."

Among the passengers were Marc Peter, the new Swiss minister to Washington, who will succeed Hans Sulzer, who

the officers of the Wesley Bible Class will meet at the home of Mrs. Lydia C. Davis tonight at 7:30 instead of the league room as originally announced.