

ATMOSPHERE TENSE AND APPREHENSIVE

POLAND BONE OF CONTENTION AND IMMEDIATE SUBJECT OF CONFERENCE DISCUSSION.

VIEWS ARE WIDELY DIVERGENT

Lloyd George Fears Denationalization of So Many Germans Would Cause Another War.

Paris.—When the council of great powers met it was in an atmosphere of considerable apprehension over Poland, which is the chief subject of discussion. This is not on account of Poland itself but because of differences which have arisen affecting the fundamental question of nationality, to which President Wilson has given his strong approval and also his, thirteenth "point" which called for an independent Polish state with access to the sea.

This last cause has introduced an issue on which there is a wide divergence of views. A committee under the chairmanship of Jules Cambon, with Sir William Tyrrell as the British member and Dr. Robert Lorillard as the American, has reported the plan giving Poland this access to the sea by means of a "corridor" 60 miles wide running across east Prussia. But the effect of this concession is to place about 1,500,000 Germans within the new Poland and to detach the easternmost part of Prussia from Germany.

Premier Lloyd George has taken the view that this denationalization of a large body of Germans would cause such discontent as would be likely to bring on another war and it is understood that President Wilson also is not entirely satisfied with the proposal.

OFFICES OF POSTAL SYSTEM ARE REMOVED BY BURLESON

Washington.—Differences between the management of the Postal Telegraph & Cable Co. and Postmaster General Burleson culminated in an order by the postmaster general summarily relieving the chief officers, directors and owners of the Postal company from all duties in connection with government operation of their system.

An announcement by the postoffice department says that the order removing Messrs. Mackay, Cook and Deegan from the operation of the Postal company's lines under government control was "made necessary by the fact that since the postoffice department refused to grant the compensation asked for by them, these officials have refused or failed to follow out the instructions of the department in the management of the properties and failed to put into operation promptly the wage schedule and the eight hour day; and in various ways endeavored to embarrass and discredit the government operation of the wires.

NUMBER OF RETURNED TROOPS EXCEED ONE-HALF MILLION

Washington.—The total number of members of the American expeditionary forces returned to the United States has passed the half million mark. The war department announced the actual figure March 20 was 509,034, including 27,940 officers, 2,146 nurses, 3,683 civilians and 448,241 men of the army, 13,500 navy personnel and 4,474 marines. The strength of the expeditionary forces March 20 was 1,470,676.

DREADED SEVEN-YEAR LOCUST HAS APPEARED IN VIRGINIA

Richmond, Va.—Reports received by State authorities from Spottsylvania county indicate that many of the seven-year locusts which are reported as due to sweep that section of the State this year, have been plowed up by farmers. The situation has reached a stage where the agricultural department at Washington has detailed entomologists to that section to study conditions.

TO FORM ARMED ALLIANCE AGAINST THE ARISTOCRACY

Paris.—The proclamation of the new Hungarian government invites the workmen and peasants of Bohemia, Rumania, Serbia and Croatia to form an armed alliance against the aristocracy, landowners and dynasties. It requests also that the workmen of Austria and Germany follow the lead of Hungary in breaking off relations with the Paris peace conference. They are requested to rally with the Moscow government.

SECRETARY DANIELS HAS REACHED PORT OF BREST

Brest.—The American transport Leviathan, with Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels on board, arrived in Brest. Secretary Daniels was received by the American naval attaché Admiral Moreau, maritime prefect and Rear Admiral Alexander S. Halstead, U. S. N., district commander at Brest. A detachment of marines, with a band acted as a guard of honor for the secretary, who went to the prefecture.

Through the Looking Glass

By EVELYN NESBIT

It is a secret—a dreadful secret—and friend husband must not know.

It would be death and destruction if he should find out.

So thinks Marguerite. She had the package sent to her friend's house, so that he would not discover the wrapping paper and the string that confined her latest extravagance. But some day, she told herself, she would tell him that Cousin Annie had bought it for herself, but that it was too small for her, so Annie made of it a present to Marguerite. As for the hole the purchase had made in her husband's household treasury, Marguerite borrowed from sister to make it up. So hubby never would find out, and things would smooth out somehow.

Marguerite did not know what a tangle she had made for herself. She stroked her wrinkled brow—worry wrinkles already! Then she smiled as she thought of the wonderful seal-skin coat that was causing all the fuss.

But if Marguerite had been a wiser woman she would not have caused herself all this uneasiness. She had fallen into the depth of iniquity, it is true, by wasting her money. But why did she add insult to injury by trying to cover it over with lies, borrowing, deceit? Why did she not tell her husband at once what she had done? She would have avoided the conscience pangs that made her life miserable and made her detest that scrap of seal-skin.

Afraid that he would storm if she told him! She did not consider how much he would storm if by some mischance he should find out by himself, how she lied to him and deceived him, in addition to being extravagant. And probably he would not have stormed at all had she "fessed up" at once. Taking him into her confidence would have brought them closer together than ever, whereas sneaking about behind his back laid the foundations for a breach.

HAND-PAINTED, EMBROIDERED



The model shown above is a gown of dove color charmeuse, most interestingly hand-painted and embroidered.

Tucks a Feature.

Tucks are a feature of the season. If one fashions dainty blouses at home and feels unable to cope with bead embroidery or hemstitching, there are always tucks as an alternative. Anybody can make tucks—all they require are a measuring rule, a fine needle and silk thread. Some of the new georgette blouses are first tucked up and down in pintucks and then across in deep inch-tucks. Other blouses have groups of pintucks running across, and then the tucked material is machine plaited up and down. Many of the sheer batiste and georgette blouses have plaited jabots edged with flit, the fluffy jabot falling outside the coat from throat to bust, and giving a dainty, feminine touch to the tailored costume.

Miss Templeton is now conducting an afternoon class in home nursing. This class began work last Thursday and meets every afternoon between three-thirty and five-thirty. The members of this class are: Mesdames A. C. Daniel, D. M. Douglas, John Young, Albert Galloway, Ernest Fuller, J. I. Copeland, Robert Jones, Charlie Wallace, Crockett and Henry; Misses Essie Young, Bell Free, Maude Pearson, Huggins and Baird.

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