

**FIGHT ON TREATY
IN FINAL ROUND**

Hope Lost of Attaching Amendments, Opposition Turns to Reservations, Lodge Says Latter Certain to Succeed.

Washington, Oct. 19.—The long treaty fight in the senate is about to enter its final phase. Leaders hope during the coming week to clear away all proposed amendments and make substantial progress in the framing of a ratification resolution.

Virtually conceding that no amendments will be adopted, the opposition managers are determined to qualify the ratifying resolution with reservations and Senator Lodge, the Republican leader, declared in a statement tonight that a decisive majority would stand for reservations that would be "unequivocal and effective."

Privately, the opposition leader declared Mr. Lodge's claim was backed by an understanding amounting virtually to a complete agreement among all of the forty nine Republican and six Democratic members to stand together for a resolution evolved after many weeks of conferences. It was said not all of the details had been agreed upon, though on general principles and in some cases on phraseology itself the fifty five senators had been brought very close together.

How far the remaining forty-one senators will go in their opposition to reservations is an uncertain question even in the minds of some of their leaders. They have stood unwaveringly through the long fight for President Wilson's program of a ratification that would not require the treaty's resubmission to the other powers. But it is for the President himself to decide finally whether any reservations as adopted require such resubmission, and his illness has left the administration leaders somewhat in the dark.

There have been intimations that should reservations unacceptable to the administration, be put into the ratification resolution, the administration forces would vote "no" on the ratification roll call, but their leaders are not ready to say how they will cross that bridge until they come to it. It would take only thirty three votes to prevent ratification.

In his statement tonight Senator Lodge declared opponents of reservations would be responsible for any further delay in senate action, indicating that the whip would be applied to hold down debate. Quick action is a slogan of the administration forces, but how far the leaders of the two parties can go in stemming the tide of talk is very uncertain. Their hope is to get started tomorrow on the last of the committee amendments proposing equalization of voting power in the league of nations, and to dispose of them within a day or two.

Senator Lodge's statement, made public after he had talked over the situation with a number of Republican and Democratic reservations, follows:

"Decisive majority of the senate will vote for reservations attached to the resolution of ratification, which will protect the peace, safety, sovereignty and independence of the United States.

"The one object of these senators is to Americanize the treaty and they believe that by so doing they will also serve the cause of general peace of the world. Whatever delay there may be in final action upon the treaty will be caused by those who are resisting the Americanization of the treaty by proper reservations, reservations at once unequivocal and effective."

The two amendments for equalization of voting strength in the league may be considered together for the sake of expedience, though it is thought more likely that the one proposed by Senator Johnson, Republican, California, to give the United States six votes in the league assembly will be taken up first. The other is by Senator Moses, Republican, New Hampshire, and would prevent British dominions from sitting in the league council.

About three hours' work remains to finish the formal readjusting of the treaty text; it is the purpose to take up the two amendments immediately afterwards. A vote may come Tuesday or Wednesday and the general prediction is that both of the proposals as well as other amendments to be offered by individual senators later will be defeated.

While formal consideration of reservations will not be undertaken until all amendments are out of the way, the conferences regarding them are to continue daily this week and substantial progress is hoped for. When the final vote will come is a question. Some senators say within ten days and some say it will be weeks.

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**PETROGRAD'S FALL
SEEMS VERY NEAR**

Russian City Last Night was Closely Invested by Anti-Bolshevik Forces. Trotsky is Defiant in Face of Defeat.

London, Oct. 18.—Petrograd tonight was so closely invested by the anti-Bolshevik forces, according to the latest official advices that military experts expressed the belief that little short of a miracle could save the hard-pressed Bolsheviks. Indeed, one newspaper dispatch reported General Yudenitch's cavalry in the capital, but there is no confirmation of this.

Neither had British official confirmation been received of the reported surrender of the Kronstadt, although the war office states that the Estonians Friday, operating in conjunction with Yudenitch, got within four miles of the Krasnal Korks, facing Kronstadt. Thus Kronstadt would be in a dangerous position, as with the character of Petrograd, it would be cut off.

Coincident with these reports comes a vitrolle announcement by Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik war minister, referring to the anti-Bolshevik forces as a "pack of bourgeois curs worrying the body of the Soviet Russia," and declaring that Petrograd will not fall.

In the meantime, in the south General Denikine has been pursuing his successors, but has been meeting with strenuous resistance in the Orel region, where the fiercest fighting is going on.

The following description of the situation in the Baltic is attributed to Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik minister of war, by a wireless message from Moscow:

"A pack of bourgeois curs is worrying the body of Soviet Russia on all sides. Polish knights are smashing their teeth. The German General Von

Der Goltz, under instruction by the stock exchange and the outscourings of all lands, is seizing the Baltic country with the help of monarchist's bands in order to attack Moscow from there.

"In the northwest, the blood-drunk trio, Yudenitch, Balakovitch and Redzianko, are advancing on Petrograd. The Esthonia peace negotiation served as a means to lull the red Petrograd troops and as soporific.

"The army defending the approaches to Petrograd failed to withstand the first blow, and danger has again come to Petrograd. The English and French radio stations announce with joy the fact of our failures on the road to Petrograd. The stock exchange and the press of the whole world are sharing the joy and predicting the speedy fall of Petrograd. But they are wrong this time.

"For the defense of the first town of the Proletarian revolution sufficient strength will be found in the peasants and the workers of the land. Yudenitch's successes are those of a cavalry raid. Troops are being sent to the assistance of Petrograd and the Petrograd workers, who rose first of all. We must break the skulls of Yudenitch's hands and the Anglo-French imperialists."

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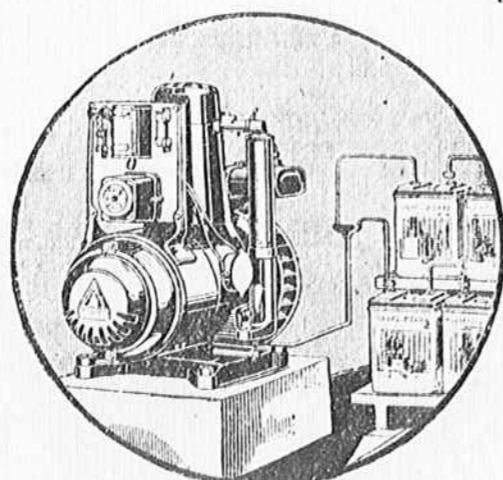
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