

San Francisco Delegates Start Work On Plan

(Following is the first in a series of summaries of activities at the San Francisco security conference. The Courier direct through cooperation of a friend, focuses success or failure of this conference will affect the lives of every man in the world. It was thought a series of summaries would be of value to those who are trying to follow the news of the conference. The correspondent is receiving the Canadian Weekly Newsletters Association.—Ed.)

By D. Russell Ferguson
San Francisco, Calif.—With the completion of preliminary speeches by leaders of delegations the real work of the conference has begun. Commissions and committees are working on the many amendments to the draft which came out of the Dumbarton Oaks meeting. The leaders of the great powers, these recommendations have been considered by the governments of the Allied Nations and delegates to this conference have been charged with putting forward their governments' views and seeking to have amendments made in the final charter for world security which will emerge from this meeting.

During the plenary sessions, to which the public were admitted, many widely differing views were presented and at times it looked as though an impasse had been reached. On several occasions the conference was deadlocked on vital points - particularly the decision of the delegates to admit Argentina and exclude Poland. This issue brought Foreign Commissar Molotov of Russia before the whole assembly in protest, and although defeated by vote on the issue, it indicated the lining-up of a strong Latin-American vote. Experienced observers have been watching for such a development as the 20 Latin states produced, but they seem to have left the matter to rest there. There is nothing evident to suggest bloc tactics as a means of furthering the interests of a group. Rather the spirit of the conference may be described as highly co-operative.

Friday midnight, May 4, was the last hour for receipt of amendments to the plans put forward from Dumbarton Oaks and a large

number of modifications have been produced. These deal in the main with the veto power of the great powers, many of the smaller feeling that some modification should be made in this direction. The security powers regulation also has been under the spotlight, and definite proposals for membership of the security council to be confined to those powers which by past actions have shown their willingness to fulfill the obligations demanded by this section. Foremost in this group are the United Kingdom and members of the British Commonwealth, which in two wars have demonstrated their will to suppress aggression. Australia has been outspoken on the qualifications required for this role.

When the conference has finished its work they will have moulded the Dumbarton Oaks plan into a charter acceptable to all nations. Then they will bring this compromise world organization back to their governments for ratification. When the San Francisco World Security Charter has been so approved the new world organization should begin to function. Between then and the present there is a tremendous amount of work to be done in producing a draft acceptable to all, and only the urgency of the situation and need of the world for security suggest that all other issues will be secondary to the work in hand.

Naturally the past week has been disturbed by the swift changes in the military situation in Europe. More than at any time the work of the present conference is of vital importance to mankind because the need for the charter will become imperative with the cessation of hostilities in Europe. While this meeting is in no wise respects more important, as it is the nations' plan for world regulation to take care of the after world. The appeal of Anthony Eden for a speedy conclusion of this conference has been reiterated by other spokesmen, who are anxious for a blueprint for the future to be ready when required. That time seems very near at hand now.

SPEECH OF THE WEEK

At the plenary session on May 1 Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts, veteran statesman and one of the British Empire's leaders, and member of the peace conference of 1918 and the League of Nations first council, delivered an address which had a profound impression on the vast assembly in the Opera House. His appeal for unity of the

Allied Nations, for whom and for the human race he said the hour has struck, made a deep impression on delegates and the public. He considered that mankind has arrived at the crisis of its fate and even military victory, now crowning our war effort in Europe, is not enough. It must be only the prelude of the greater peace effort before the conference. That he said was the great significance of the present conference.

Comparing the problem of the conference with the general aspects of the covenant of the League of Nations, General Smuts declared that the difference between them should lie in the incorporation of a declaration of human rights at the very outset of the charter. It should also declare the common faith which had sustained the Allied Nations through adversity. He considered that the present war had been one of ideologies, of conflicting philosophies of life and conflicting faiths, and was in the deepest sense a war of religion, perhaps more so than any other war of history, in which we have fought for justice and decency and for the fundamental rights of man, which are basic to all human advancement and progress. That is what our men and women have been fighting for on all fronts and he called on all to persevere in that faith until it is established for all mankind beyond any doubt of peradventure.

PARISHVILLE

Mrs. Addie B. Wilcox entertained in honor of the 87th birthday of Mrs. Frances Thomas at a dinner at her home on Monday evening of last week. A gay time was enjoyed by the "girls" and all attended the services later at the Baptist church in lieu of V-E Day. Mrs. Thomas received many fine gifts and cards. The guests were: Mrs. Josephine Campbell, Mrs. Mame Brown, Mrs. Nellie Coursey, Mrs. Frank Cuyler, Mrs. Charles Duff, Mrs. Jennie Hart, and Mrs. Ezra Crump of Parishville Center. Mrs. Stella Planty Wilson and husband of Leominster, Mass., have been guests of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Planty, being called here by the death of her brother, Eli Planty. Mrs. Sherman Peck left Tuesday to visit relatives at Hyde Park, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Donnelly are the parents of a son born in Lowville hospital recently. Mrs. Donnelly is the former Miss Marion Adams of this place. Mr. Donnelly is serving in the navy.

Parishville

Our small hamlet joined in the recognition of V-E Day by displaying our Flags Monday of last week and at 1:30 o'clock that afternoon the school marched to the Union church for appropriate services. Rev. John S. McPhee spoke on "Co-operation." At 7:30 o'clock that evening the townspeople met at the Baptist church where Principal Barnett Corbin had charge of the program. Speakers were Rev. Parks of Dickenson Center, pastor, Attorney Warren O. Daniels, supervisor, Roy H. Waite, Rev. John S. McPhee, Leon O. Jenkins and Ralph Edwards. Tuesday, the actual V-E Day the fire siren was sounded and bells rung. Flags were hung out and the stores and schools were closed. No hilarious celebrating was noted but a true thankfulness was much apparent.

Mrs. Josephine Campbell received the sad information of the death of her sister, Gratia Bowers Colby, wife of Arthur L. Colby on Thursday, May 3rd at the Cedar Valley Hospital, Charles City, Iowa, where she had been a patient for a number of weeks and had been in very poor health the past two years. Mrs. Colby was born in Crary Mills, a daughter of Henry and Charlotte Covey Bowers. The family moved here when Gratia was young and she attended the local school. She was Post Mistress here for several years. Possessed of a charming singing voice she took part in many town functions and in the Baptist Church choir. Her popularity was high and many old friends regret her death and sympathize with Mrs. Campbell who is the last remaining member of a fine family. Mr. and Mrs. Colby have been residents of Charles City, Iowa for many years. A Junior Lions Club has been formed by some of our young lads who have created lodge rooms in

some of the out buildings at the Harold Seaver residence. The President is Lyndon Seaver and Charles Carrough the secretary and treasurer. Among the members are the Dorothy boys and Paul Arquette of Potsdam.

Cpl. and Mrs. Floyd Foster of Bagler Field, Fla., have been flourishing with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Foster and Mrs. Eulalia Feeley.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Charles of Massena were Sunday guests of their mother, Mrs. Christine Charles and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Bassett.

Callers at the home of Mrs. Ora Wilkins recently were: Mrs. Guy Conger, Madrid; Mrs. Robert Arquette, Mrs. Henry Foot and Rev. Wood of Canton; Mrs. Esmond Boyd of Rensselaer Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bronson and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McCarger of West Stockholm and Mrs. Vera MacCarter and family of Norfolk.

Mrs. Roy Nichols of South Colton visited her daughters, Mrs. Helen Perkins and Mrs. Dalton Husheer over Friday night and Saturday and attended the Parish Chapter meeting. Mrs. Raymond Newtown and Mrs. Robert Weegar have employment at Syracuse. Little Cindy Lou Weegar is being cared for by her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Woods and aunt, Miss Cecilia Woods. A very gala event occurred Friday evening at Masonic Temple when at its regular stated meeting Parish Chapter, O. E. S. received the official visit of District Deputy Grand Matron, Welthea B. Kipp of Empire Chapter, Canton and District Grand Lecturer, Joel M. Howard of Fulton Chapter, Waddington. Approximately 150 members of the order were in attendance. A very splendid entertainment was presented under the direction of Mrs. Clark Chittenden and Mrs. Floyd Bliss who had charge of the

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decorations which were elaborately lovely. Singing was rendered by a sextet and quartet. The winding of a beautiful May pole and presentation of flowers to R. W. D. G. M. Kipp was performed by a group of ladies in a most delightful manner and the feature of the program was the singing and acting of "The Easter Parade" by little Linnie Rotaling and Lyndon Seaver. The District Grand Officers were hospitably welcomed to the East by Worthy Matron Velma Kingsley and Worthy Patron Lawrence Kingsley and in the response D.D.W. Kipp spoke of the great work the Order is doing for the wounded service men and appealed to members to fill their coin cards. D. G. L. Howard sponsored the cigarette fund for our boys so enthusiastically that a collection of over \$27 was taken. Tribute was paid the memory of the late Past Assistant Grand Sentinel and Past Worthy Patron Earl D. Armstrong. Among the Grand Officers present were Grand Warden Gladys Gibbons of Hermon Chapter, Assistant Grand Sentinel Bruce B. Williams of Parish Chapter; Junior Right Worthy District Deputy Grand Matron Ida R. Polk of Norla Chapter; Junior Right Worthy District Grand Lecturer of Vega

remarks by Mildred Green, conductress, to R. W. D. G. M. Kipp with remarks by Associate Conductress Ruth Mathewson to R. W. D. G. L. Howard and with remarks by Hable Nichols, Associate Matron, to W. M. Velma Kingsley and W. P. Kingsley. Delicious refreshments served under the direction of Sisters Charlotte Champney and Essie Williams concluded the activities.

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