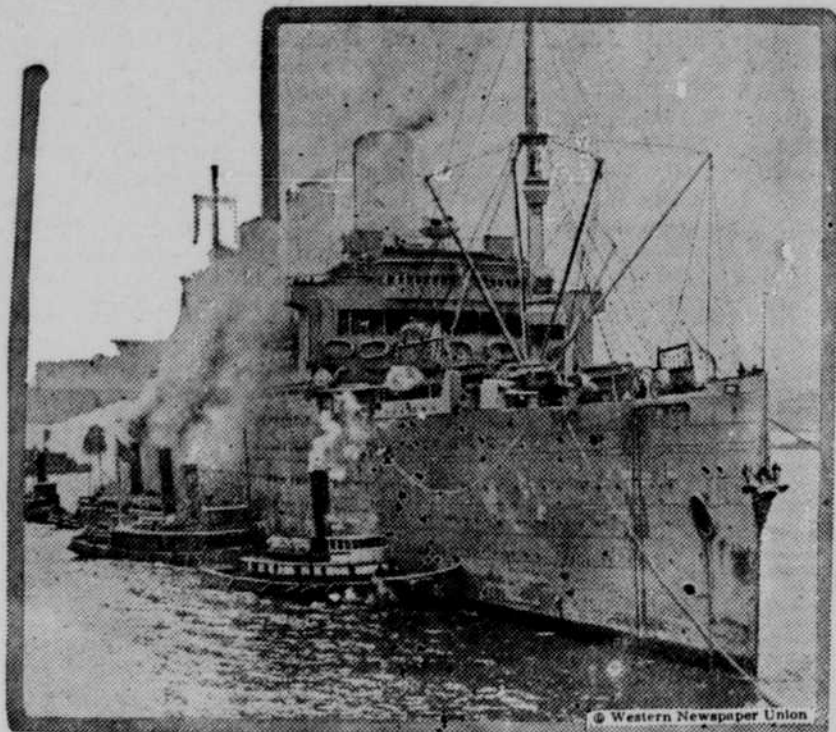


LEVIATHAN BRINGS 8,500 YANKS BACK HOME



The Leviathan being towed to her dock by tugs, after her first voyage since the signing of the armistice. The Leviathan brought back 8,500 soldiers, sailors and civilians, most prominent among them being Lord Decles and Maj. Gen. George A. Barnett, chief of the United States marines, and wife.

HALL OF MIRRORS, VERSAILLES



The magnificence of the palace of Versailles, where the peace treaty will be signed, may be judged from this view of the Hall of Mirrors.

BRUCE GRIT'S COLUMN

A great many followers of the "meek and lowly Jesus" have adopted his teachings, but hesitate to adopt them in their daily practice. If this were done generally by professing Christians, the wide world over, I would have a larger faith in the idea now sizzling in the atmosphere called Democracy.

Centuries ago certain old masters who knew something of the art of painting were employed by certain dignitaries of the church to paint portraits of the Virgin Mary and the Child Jesus, and these artists, among them Michael Angelo, Raphael, Sanzio and some others, produced paintings in oil purporting to represent the mother of Christ, Christ, and some of the old prophets, such as Moses and David, which have been admired by lovers of art the world over. The conceptions of these old masters as to what their subjects looked like were, of course, as everyone knows, purely imaginative, for no human being living at the time these great painters flourished ever saw the Virgin Mary or the Christ or any of the old prophets. The Italian, Dutch, Flemish and German painters, who have copied from these old masters, have invariably made their subject Italian, Dutch, Flemish and German. So it is that the pictures of the Madonna and the Christ are largely a matter of geography. What they really looked like cannot be determined by any portrait made of them with which we are familiar. Tacitus is perhaps the only writer who has given a description of the Christ and it is so brief that no artist living, or who if dead were now alive, could paint a satisfactory picture of him. He said: "The pestilent disturber of order in Judea is a red-headed Jew who calls himself Christ." So we know now that this pestilent disturber was an agitator, contemned and despised by the high-brows of that period just as our agitators and cranks are by the high-brows of the present day.

There have been many Negroes canonized by the Catholic church which is the only real Christian democracy that we know of, except the Mohammedan religion. The Negro in both these bodies stands on an equality with his fellow worshipers, no matter what their race or color or condition.

Many years ago, the first Negro woman in America was canonized by the Catholic church for her piety and good works. She is known to all good Catholics as St. Rose of Lima, Peru. In Uganda Africa twenty-two Africans were not long ago canonized by this church.

One of the early Popes of Rome is known to have been an African, of whom more anon.

The mind of Africa, whether it gives voice to its thinking in the hot and burning sands where stands the Sphinx, the riddle of all ages in mute silence evoking the admiration and wonder of mankind, or in Europe or in America, is at one with the central thought expressed in the following excerpt from an editorial in the Weekly News of Sierra Leone, West Coast, viz.: "So those places which have contributed aeroplanes and other war munitions, while they may be said to do much, cannot be compared to places which may take upon themselves to link the British Nation to The Power that bestoweth light; the power that not only bestoweth light, but gives men the ability to see the light. This power is God Almighty, and ALL POWERFUL. The enemy appears to have monopolized it in this war and to have profited largely from it. Aeroplanes, men and munitions, gold and all the wealth of the Allied Nations, are NOTHING without God, The Supreme Ruler of the Universe and the destinies of Nations."

The future, there is no doubt about it, the future belongs to the educated Nations, and those among us who foster and encourage the further spread of higher education are rendering our race a service, the consequences of which will be almost beyond human calculation, and may I also say that the kind of education that is needed to fit white men for the performance of important civic, commercial, political and scientific duties, is exactly and precisely the kind of education that is required by every Negro youth in this land—the undiscovered geniuses—poets, inventors, scientists, literateurs of "Ethiopia's blameless race."

The educated Catholic priests and educated Catholics generally know a great deal more about the achievements of the Negro in scholarship and service than the snobs of other religious faiths, who now look down on the Negro with a sort of pitying contempt, and dismiss his claim to primacy as a leader with a supercilious sneer. The archives of the Vatican at Rome contains many proofs which establish the Negro's right to be. When Dunbar wrote—"B proud, my race, in mind and soul, Thy name is writ on Glory's scroll

In characters of fire. High 'mid the clouds of Fame's bright sky Thy banner blazoned folds now fly, And truth shall lift them higher." he had a vision, as certainly as did John on the Island of Patmos, when he saw the number that no man could number. "We are living, we are dwelling In a grand and awful time, In an age, on ages telling, To be living is sublime."



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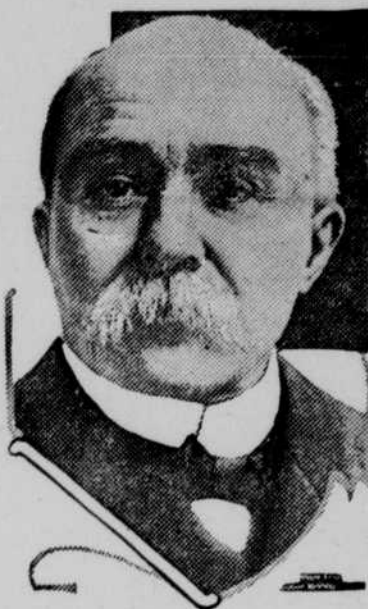
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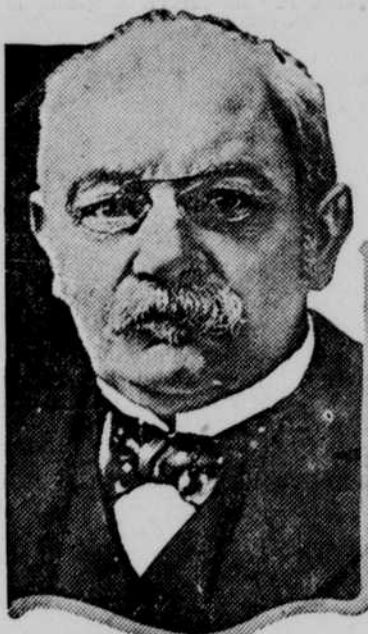
Georges Clemenceau, premier of the French republic, is the president of the peace congress, having been chosen for that place not only in compliment to France but also in recognition of his great ability. Long known as the "Tiger," Mr. Clemenceau has always been a sturdy fighter for democracy.

PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON



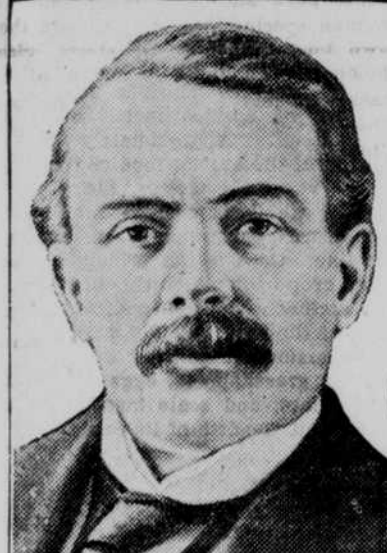
President Woodrow Wilson is head of the American delegation to the peace conference.

JULES CAMBON



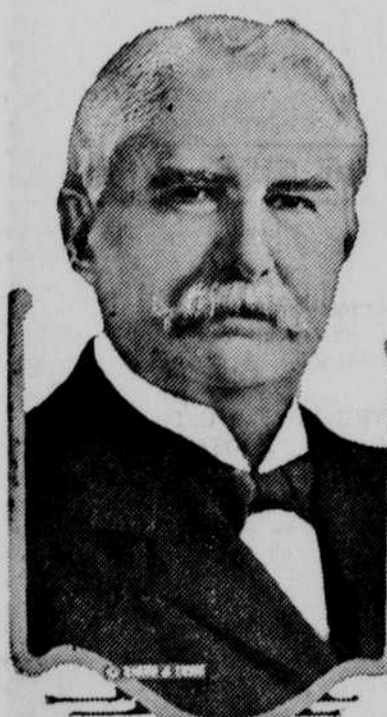
Jules Cambon is considered an especially valuable member of the French peace delegation, as he has been French ambassador to both America and Germany. His appointment was especially pleasing to the American delegation.

DAVID LLOYD GEORGE



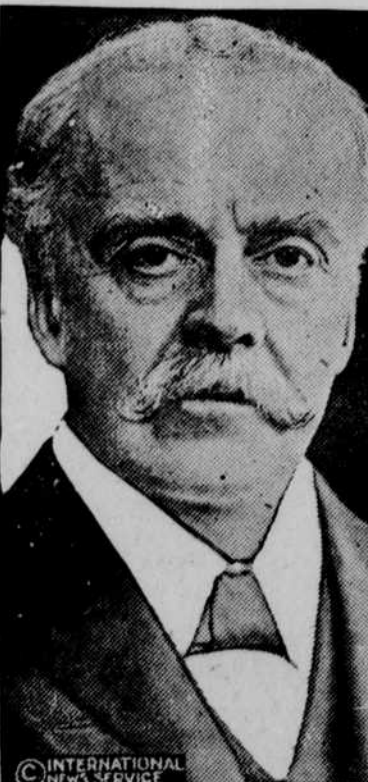
At the head of Great Britain's peace delegates is David Lloyd George, the British premier.

HENRY WHITE



Of the American delegation to the peace congress, Henry White is the most familiar with diplomacy, having been long connected with the American embassy in London and afterward ambassador to Italy and France.

ARTHUR J. BALFOUR



Arthur J. Balfour, British minister of foreign affairs, is one of the leading members of the peace delegation of his country.

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