

THE
TREATY OF PEACE
BETWEEN
THE ALLIED AND ASSOCIATED POWERS
AND
GERMANY,

The Protocol passed thereon, the Agreement respecting
the military occupation of the banks of the Rhine,

TREATY
BETWEEN
FRANCE AND GREAT BRITAIN

Assurance to France in the event of unprovoked
Aggression by Germany.

Signed at Versailles, June 28th, 1919.

—THE END OF THE TREATY OF VERSAILLES.—



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UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS, IN THE FORM OF AN AGREEMENT CONCERNING
THE TREATY OF PEACE WHICH WAS SIGNED ON JUNE 28, 1919, AT VERSAILLES, BETWEEN THE
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT
BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

A Peace Without Victors?

The Big Four

- USA – Woodrow Wilson
- UK – David Lloyd George
- FRA – Georges Clemenceau
- ITA – Vittorio Orlando
- 1919 – Met at Versailles with a bunch of other people to end WWI
- Wilson wants “a peace without victors”



Fourteen Points

- Wilson's ideas that connect free trade, democratic institutions, and human liberty
- Allied leaders didn't agree →
 - UK problems w/ freedom of the seas,
 - FRA wants reparations, alliances
 - JPN wanted land in Pacific/CHN; racial equality
 - ITA wants AUT



League of Nations

- 1. One vote/member nation
- 2. **Executive Council** – US, UK, FRA, ITA & JPN*
 - Recommends economic sanctions/military support
- 3. Unanimous consent required for action
- 4. Permanent **International Court of Justice**
- **Article X** – Preserve against aggression & protect political independence of members (623)

LEAGUE OF NATIONS



SOCIETE DES NATIONS

Treaty of Versailles

- Wilson has to revise 14 Points for Big 4 approval
 - FRA/UK push for harsh reparations including pensions
- Makes some compromises and such, but pretty satisfied overall on self-determination, economic freedom, and protection of peace (625-626)



Struggle for Ratification

- **Reservationists (35 Moderates)**
 - Might be forced to withdraw Monroe Doctrine
 - US might lose some of its influence
 - League might be a financial drain on postwar recovery
 - Article X violated Washington's message on alliances
 - US might be committed militarily w/out Congress
- **Irreconcilables (14 Progressive GOP & 4 Dems)**
 - US should create a model society to emulate, not get involved in international affairs



Henry Cabot &%#@ Lodge

- Saw how personal League/Treaty was to Wilson & how willing he was to make treaty a referendum on his foreign policy in 1920 elections
 - Already lost both houses on war policy in 1918
 - Packed Foreign Relations committee against Wilson
- Believed League was a threat to sovereignty
- Put faith in armies/navies/Balance of Power/TR
- Lots of anti-Wilson Irish & Italian constituents
- BLUM: Hated Wilson as Wilson hated him (627)



Wilson's Collapse

- Wilson refused to compromise, and he was likely in the right not to do so, but that doesn't matter w/ politics → refused to compromise at all
- 8000-Mile-37-stop speaking tour → not one vote
 - 10/2/1919 – Blood clot in his brain didn't affect Wilson mentally, but in all other ways
- 11/6 – Lodge presents his reservations to Senate
 - Seen in bad taste by Dems → rejected



Partisanship Kills

- 20M Americans, FRA/UK encourage compromise & ratification
- Wilson would not hear of it; Obsessed?
- Lodge wouldn't negotiate either & followed Irreconcilables & his own feelings
- 3/8/20 – 23 Dems & 12 Irreconcilables vote it down
- BLUM: Partisanship to blame; revealed how much domestic policy can damage foreign policy (629)

