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PLAN SHORTER ROAD TO PARIS

LONDON, April 25.—American political leaders plan to lay off temporarily the effort to make a treaty with Germany. They have decided to turn attention to the heart of the problem, they say, which is to come to an understanding on the terms of an armistice with Germany, and to see to it that the peace which is to be negotiated will be peace... The move is to be made evident today. American representatives are to have the full backing of the American public in the effort to make a peace that will be fair and just for all countries involved.

Taft at Omaha

"Today is more serious in Europe than the day upon which the German demands came near Paris. It is the crisis of the world. Should Europe go in pieces, America would be involved in another world-war without the least doubt." Philadelphia Public Ledger, Feb. 28, 1919.

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My sure and read the LITERARY DIGEST this week. All angles of public opinion on the League of Nations covenant are presented in the leading article. Other subjects that will interest the American people are:

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