

RUSSIA IS READY TO DISCUSS PEACE

British Officer Announces He Has Received Word From Soviet Government

GERMAN AGREEMENT DENIED

By the Associated Press

London, Dec. 4.—Lieutenant Colonel Lestrang Malone announces that he has received an official communication from the soviet government of Russia, asking him to make public the fact that the Bolsheviks are still desirous of a discussion of peace terms and denying that any relations have been opened by the soviet government with Germany.



MARQUIS OF BLANDFORD. Eldest son of the Duchess of Marlborough, the former Consuelo Vanderbilt. His engagement to Alexandra Mary Cadogan, fourth daughter of the late Viscount Cadogan, has just been announced.

Central News. He said no proposals were ever made to Lieutenant Colonel Lestrang Malone, liberal member of the British House of Commons, who early last month claimed to have a draft of the conditions upon which soviet Russia was willing to discuss peace. He remarked, however, that Colonel Malone's statement was essentially the same as that of Mr. Bullitt.

Litvinoff says that Great Britain and America will have large economic interests in Russia, which can be made more secure by the soviet government than by any other administration. Russia must look to those countries for her needs in machinery. He concludes: "The time has certainly come for the allied and other countries to take stock of the present situation and make a prompt decision." Replying to a number of questions, Litvinoff declared that, although Premier Lloyd George, of Great Britain, had denied receiving peace proposals, such proposals had been sent out by the soviet government by wireless, and that he himself had issued a circular to allied legations at Stockholm in behalf of his government, offering to enter into peace negotiations. Regarding the nature of the soviet terms, he said the proposals handed William C. Bullitt, who was sent to Russia by President Wilson, substan-

IL PROBLEMA DI FIUME RISOLTO?

Truppa Regolari Italiane Occuperebbero Fiume e i Territori del Patto di Londra

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Londra, 4 dicembre.—Truppe regolari italiane occuperebbero Fiume ed i territori inclusi nel patto di Londra, firmato nel 1915 tra l'Italia, l'Inghilterra, la Francia e la Russia, secondo un dispaccio da Roma alla Exchange Telegraph Co.

Gabriele D'Annunzio ed i suoi volontari si ritireranno da Fiume, si dice, sotto i termini di un accordo raggiunto come risultato dei negoziati tra Londra e Parigi.

Le autorità navali americane, che sono in stretto contatto con la situazione di Fiume, negano che un tale accordo sia stato raggiunto, nonostante che i privati dispacci lascino adito alla speranza che la questione Adriatica sia risolta e che in Parigi i rappresentanti alla Conferenza della Pace, dell'America, l'Inghilterra e Francia, abbiano già preparato un progetto da sottoporre all'Italia. Frank L. Polk, sottosegretario di Stato dell'America, e Clemenceau avrebbero dichiarato di essere pronti a firmare l'accordo. Anche l'Inghilterra farebbe altrettanto.

La natura dell'accordo non è stata fatta nota, ma essi dicono che è fatto in modo di soddisfare il popolo italiano.

Roma, 4 dicembre.—Ieri alla Camera dei Deputati l'On. Treves, deputato

socialista, ha annunciato che l'unione generale dei capi operai del partito socialista e le frazioni socialiste parlamentari hanno deciso che lo sciopero generale debba cessare alla mezzanotte.

Il "Giornale d'Italia" notando che i cattolici parteciparono alle tenute dimostrazioni, suggerisce che il momento è maturo per formare una unione comunista di tutte le forze nazionali, alla quale si dice potrebbero far parte 350 deputati. Parecchi altri giornali commentano con soddisfazione le dimostrazioni contro le forze radicali.

IRISH BILL READY SOON

Will Be Introduced Week After Next, Says Lloyd George

London, Dec. 4.—(By A. P.)—The government's measure dealing with the Irish problem will be ready for introduction early in the week after next, Premier Lloyd George announced in the House of Commons today. The bill would be carried over into the next session, however, by a special resolution, he said.

The cabinet, according to the Daily News, today has decided to suspend trial by jury for crimes of violence in Ireland and to substitute trial by a commission of three judges.

To a large extent the right of trial by jury has been denied in Ireland for some time. Several weeks ago Lord French issued an order suspending jury trials, and before that, with Ireland largely under military rule, courts-martial took the place of the regular courts.

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WOMEN DENY CANDIDACY

Duchess of Marlborough and Lady Lee Not Out for Parliament

London, Dec. 4.—(By A. P.)—The Duchess of Marlborough in a speech delivered at a charity function in London declared that she had no intention of seeking a seat in Parliament, asserting that she was "quite satisfied with membership in the County Council." The Daily Mirror has withdrawn its recent story that Lady Lee, of Farnham, who was Ruth Moore, of New York, would be a candidate for a seat in Parliament.

GOLD CHANGED TO IRON

\$25,000 Coin Replaced by Washers in Box Crossing Pacific

San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 4.—(By A. P.)—A box containing \$25,000 in gold coin shipped by the Anglo and London Paris National Bank of San Francisco on the liner Korea Maru was found to contain scrap iron and metal washers when opened by the consignee in Hongkong, according to cable advices received by the bank and steamship company today. The bank, acting as agent for a New York firm, packed two boxes, each containing \$25,000 in gold, and the correctness of the shipment was certified to by three trusted employes. Both boxes were put in the strong room of the steamship, but only one of them reached Hongkong. Officials of the bank said they believed the substitution of scrap iron for the gold was either made on board the steamship or after the consignment arrived at its destination with gold in it.

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