

FUME ISSUE TENSE AS COUNCIL QUILTS

Nitti Rejects "Supreme Effort" of Jugo-Slavs—Stands on London Treaty

WANTS REPLY BY WEEK-END

By the Associated Press
Paris, Jan. 21.—With the disbanding of the Supreme Council without a settlement of the Adriatic question, Signor Nitti, the Italian premier, last night declared that if the Jugo-Slavs did not accept Italy's terms he would withdraw his compromise offer and that Italy will demand that France and Great Britain execute purely and simply the London treaty of 1918, reserving the fate of Fiume to later decision.

Prior to the breaking up of the council the Jugo-Slav reply to Italy's demand had been presented. Signor Nitti said that the terms were unacceptable. The note said that it constituted the supreme effort of Jugo-Slavs to bring about an agreement with Italy. In fact, taken in connection with Premier Nitti's statement, apparently leaves the situation a tense one.

The Jugo-Slavs accept the internationalization of the League of Nations for Fiume and Zara, concede to Italy the islands of Lussin and Pelagoza and agree to the demilitarization of the Adriatic islands, with the condition that the island of Lissa remain Jugo-Slav.

Adhere to Wilson's Stand
The right of the Italians in Dalmatia to choose Italian nationality without leaving Jugo-Slavs is recognized by the Jugo-Slavs, who also agree that Italian national rights in Dalmatian industries shall be guaranteed by an international convention. They refuse to make any alteration of the line drawn by President Wilson. The note says the desire of the Albanians for independence will be respected.

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Signor Nitti, the Italian premier, left last evening for Rome and David Lloyd George, the British prime minister, departed for England this morning.

Official Statement Issued
The official communication of the Supreme Council issued last evening: The council took cognizance of the Jugo-Slav answer to the Italian plan for settlement of the Adriatic question. The Jugo-Slav Government, having made reservations, it has been asked to give a definite reply at the end of the week. M. Pachitch and M. Trumbitch (the Jugo-Slav representatives) were heard.

Millerand, Earl Curzon of Kedleston, Signor de Martino, Ambassador Wallace and Baron Matsui will meet at 11 o'clock Wednesday in the Grand D'Orsay to examine into what form the interallied diplomatic pourparlers will be continued henceforth.

EXPECTS JERSEY TO RATIFY

Suffrage Leader Brands Legislative Move for Referendum as "Trick"

Plainfield, N. J., Jan. 21.—(By A. P.)—Mrs. E. F. Felkert, president of the New Jersey Suffrage Association, declared her belief today that the state Legislature will ratify the federal woman suffrage amendment. She asserted the action of the Assembly yesterday in declaring for a referendum on all constitutional amendments prior to action by the Legislature was a "trick."

"We attach no importance to the Assembly's action," she said. "It is merely a trick on the part of the Camden county assemblymen to make it appear that there is a strong sentiment for a referendum. So far as I could learn, no one but the Camden men knew anything about the resolution. Instead of weakening our cause, this action has strengthened it."

Mrs. Felkert declared she believed that the resolution was introduced as a result of an understanding between James H. Nugent, of Newark, and David Baird, former United States senator, of Camden.

LUSITANIA DIVERS' GOAL

Will Seek Soon to Recover Treasure From Historic Ship

London, Jan. 21.—(By A. P.)—Efforts to raise some of the treasure from the ill-fated Lusitania will be made early this year.

Engineers and divers believe they can get thousands of pounds' worth of rubies, but that it will be impossible to raise the steamer or much of her cargo owing to the great depth of the water in which she is lying.

Three Youths to Hang Together

Montreal, Jan. 21.—Three youths, sentenced to be hanged for the murder of Alois Payette, a St. Sulpice farmer, will go to the scaffold together next Friday in Bordeaux jail yard. They are Pascal D'Elorme, also known as Jean Baptiste Lemay; Murdock Allan and Romeo Lacoste.

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NOT FAVORING BRITISH

Mexican Oil Official Explains Government's Policy

Mexico City, Jan. 21.—(By A. P.)—Reports that the Mexican Government is favoring British oil companies are denied by Joaquin Santalla, chief of the oil bureau of the Department of Industry, Commerce and Labor.

He asserts American oil companies are encountering difficulties because "they have not shown a disposition to comply with the regulations of the oil decree of January 18, 1918, and also constitutional provisions regarding the necessity of submitting to Mexican law."

British companies, he says, are pushing their work vigorously "because they have complied with every governmental regulation."

UKRAINE TO EXPORT BIG FOOD SUPPLY

Vast Stores for World Market When General Blockade of Russia Is Lifted

By the Associated Press
Washington, Jan. 21.—Four hundred million pounds of sugar, 20,000,000 bushels of wheat and large quantities of hides and other materials stored in Ukraine will be made available for the markets of the world when the general blockade of Russia is lifted, according to an announcement here today by the Ukrainian mission in America.

Ukraine needs medicines, surgical goods, cloth, clothing, shoes and agricultural machinery, according to the mission, which said the lack of medicines and clothing alone had reduced to misery great areas of the Ukraine. It was added that the receipt of needed supplies would greatly assist the Ukrainians in fighting the Bolsheviks.

Representatives of the Ukrainian cooperative societies are now in Switzerland, France, England and other countries, and it was announced that a delegation soon would arrive in this country to open headquarters.

Stockholm, Jan. 21.—(By A. P.)—Announcement from Paris of the reopening of commercial relations between allied countries and the Russian people came as a surprise to Sweden. Nobody here with the exception of Rjalmar Branting, Socialist leader, thinks this execution paramount or simply a diplomatic ploy.

As all the Russian Baltic ports now are frozen the exchange of goods must take place by the way of Hango or Revel, but the railroad through Finland and the one through Estonia are at present unable to carry heavy traffic and trade must wait until May or June when ships will be able to enter Kronstadt and Petrograd.

Swedish hardware manufacturers have large orders from Russia and makers of separators, telephone apparatus and harvesters expect to exchange their products for flax, hemp, wheat and rye.

It is the general opinion here that before trade is going on very long Russia will be called upon to pay for stocks of valuable goods which the soviet government confiscated two years ago and for which payment was vainly demanded before allied countries severed diplomatic relations with the Bolsheviks.

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La Jugoslavia Rifiuta di Accettare le Proposte dell'Italia

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Parigi, 21 gennaio.—Con lo scioglimento del Supremo Consiglio senza una sistemazione della questione Adriatica, l'On. Nitti la scorsa notte dichiarò che egli resta fermo nel suo ultimatum col quale qualora la Jugoslavia non avesse accettato i termini presentati dall'Italia, questa chiedeva che Francia ed Inghilterra desero l'esecuzione parimenti e semplicemente al trattato di Londra dell'aprile 1915, riservando a più tardi la decisione sul fatto di Fiume.

Gli Jugoslavi presentarono la loro risposta alle proposte italiane prima che il Consiglio si sciogliesse e l'On. Nitti

dichiarò che i termini contenuti in detta risposta sono inaccettabili. La risposta dice che con essa la Jugoslavia faceva il supremo sforzo per raggiungere un accordo con l'Italia. Con le dichiarazioni di Nitti la situazione rimane tesa.

La Jugoslavia vuole l'internazionalizzazione delle città di Fiume e Zara sotto la Lega delle Nazioni, lasciando all'Italia le isole di Lussin e Pelagoza e chiedendo la demilitarizzazione dell'isola dell'Adriatico con la condizione che Lissa rimanga alla Jugoslavia.

Gli Jugoslavi rifiutano di fare qualsiasi alterazione alle linee tracciate dal Presidente Wilson.

Parigi, 21 gennaio.—Le linee ferroviarie nordiche a dell'Italia centrale sono paralizzate in conseguenza dello sciopero proclamato dai ferrovieri. Le linee dell'Italia meridionale sono parzialmente affette, secondo il corrispondente da Torino del Petit Parisien. Il Governo Italiano ha provveduto alla circolazione di pochi treni nelle principali linee, durante la giornata di ieri. I treni sono guardati da truppe con mitragliatrici. Lo stato d'assedio sarebbe stato dichiarato in parecchie città e le vie sono sorvegliate da pattuglie di cavalleria e fanteria. I negozi hanno avuto ordine di chiudere alle ore 8 di sera. L'uso degli automobili e dei velocipedi è stato proibito.

Roma, 21 gennaio.—Le truppe occupano la stazione centrale di questa città fin dalla mezzanotte, dietro ordini del ministero dei trasporti. Nonostante lo sciopero, ieri molti treni hanno funzionato e soltanto i diretti sono stati soppressi. Tutte le linee ferroviarie in Italia sono guardate da

BERLIN LIBEL SUIT BITTER

Helfferich Defends Attack on Finance Minister Erzberger
Berlin, Jan. 21.—(By A. P.)—Accrimonious clashes between litigants and attorneys yesterday marked the trial of the libel case against Mathias Erzberger, minister of finance, against Dr. Karl Helfferich, former vice chancellor.

Helfferich testified that his attack on Erzberger, which is the basis of the present action, was prompted by ethi-

cal and patriotic motives. He reviewed Erzberger's political career, beginning in 1903, and said: "Years of careful observation of Herr Erzberger's activities have convinced me this man is bound to become fateful to the German nation and that if our political life is again to become healthy and normal."

AMERICANS AIDING POLES

Another Aviator Joins Kosciusko Squadron Fighting Bolsheviks
Paris, Jan. 21.—(By A. P.)—Captain Harmon C. Rorison, of Wilmington, N. C., an officer in the reserve corps of the American aviation service, has arrived in Warsaw and joined the Kosciusko squadron in fighting against the Bolsheviks, according to advices from the Polish capital.

When Rorison landed in Poland he was sent to Lemberg, where he reported to Major P. Cedric Fauntleroy, leader of Kosciusko squadron, who was able to find a place for him.

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