

FRANCE WON'T ACT WITHOUT ENTENTE

Promises No Further Independent Move in Message to Great Britain

ENGLAND QUICKLY REPLIES

By the Associated Press
London, April 12.—The latest French note on the subject of the French occupation move, received here this morning, says that the French troops in Frankfurt and other occupied cities will be withdrawn immediately upon the withdrawal of the German troops from the Ruhr region. It promises, it is stated, that no further independent action will be taken by France.

It is said that the communication is couched in conciliatory terms and should tend largely to alleviate the gravity of the situation. The note was discussed at a cabinet meeting presided over by Andrew Bonar Law during Lloyd George's absence from London.

The solidarity of the Entente is emphasized in the French communication. In British official circles the opinion was expressed today that all the dangers with which the situation was fraught had definitely been dispelled and that there was every prospect of an amicable understanding.

Paris, April 12.—(By A. P.)—The Earl of Derby, British ambassador to France, delivered to Premier Millerand at 1 o'clock this afternoon the British reply to the French note sent last evening. M. Millerand refused to discuss the contents of the note with the newspaper correspondents.

Immediately after receipt of the note M. Millerand left to call upon President Deschanel.

The opinion was expressed freely that the Rhineland incident was in a fair way of being settled and that the note just delivered would prove to be the next to the last in the rapid-fire exchange of the last few days. Premier Millerand's reply, which probably will go forward this evening, will be the sixth note transmitted by the governments in three days' time.

Nothing has as yet been decided as to Premier Millerand's attendance at the Supreme Council meeting at San Remo, and it was declared today in a reliable source that if the conference there was to discuss the misunderstanding between France and Great Britain he would not go at all.

A personal talk on the subject with

Premier Lloyd George would be welcomed by the French premier if Mr. Lloyd George could find it convenient to come to Paris, but it is considered in official circles that as the point at issue interests France and Great Britain only, it is needless to discuss it before the representatives of the powers.

It is held here that the British Government is persisting in the discussion has put the matter in a form where it is difficult to see what satisfaction it is possible to give. France has not been asked to evacuate Frankfurt, and the impression is gaining ground, it was indicated, that what was sought above all is to discipline France.

British Envoy at Conference
The Earl of Derby attended the council of ambassadors here today. The Hungarian treaty was the sole matter under discussion.

The conference discussed the text of a letter to accompany the reply of the allied powers to the Hungarian delegation's observations on the treaty. The documents will be delivered to the Hungarians this week, it was announced.

Premier Millerand's reply last evening to a British note is declared to make no material change in the situation. It expresses regret that there has been occasion for any controversy, but it points out that if France acted alone in her occupation move east of the Rhine it was because she was left alone in the face of a situation which required prompt action.

The note assures Great Britain that France is determined to remain faithful to the alliance, but it intimates that the government cannot promise to abstain from defending the interests confided to it when its action is not contrary to the objects of that alliance.

Japan Supports France
It is learned that Baron Matsui, the Japanese ambassador, has unofficially stated that Japan has no objection to the action of France.

The softened tone of the correspondence with Great Britain is noted with some satisfaction.

Decisions to lift the tax of 10,000 marks levied against Frankfurt for aggression against French cycle chassis

is announced by General De Metz, commander of the French forces in the city, according to a Mayence dispatch. This is a result of steps taken by the burgomaster of the city and on account of the good behavior of the people during the last few days, it is said.

Reports that France has planned to occupy Mannheim and Heidelberg, south of Mayence, printed in the Cologne Gazette, are denied here.

ALLIES WILL AGREE, SAYS BONAR LAW

London, April 12.—(By A. P.)—Both France and Great Britain are increasingly convinced of the necessity of keeping in agreement for the settlement of the questions regarding Ger-

many and those affecting other parts of the world, Andrew Bonar Law, the government leader, told the House of Commons today.

Answering questions with regard to the Anglo-French situation, Mr. Bonar Law said:

"As the House is aware a difference, which his majesty's government greatly deplores, has arisen between the British and French Governments, but of exchange of notes which has taken place between London and Paris justifies the belief that both governments recognize more than ever the necessity of maintaining an intimate, cordial agreement in the settlement of the great questions now confronting them in Germany and elsewhere."

"The approaching conference of the heads of the allied governments will no doubt serve to confirm and consolidate the complete understanding between the

two governments. In these circumstances, I venture to suggest that it would be very undesirable to have any discussion on the subject, either in debate or by way of question and answer. It is hardly necessary to add that there is no truth whatever in the statement made in certain sections of the press that there has been a difference of opinion in the British cabinet."

Vandals Desecrate Legion Flag
Boston, April 12.—(By A. P.)—Vandals who entered the headquarters of Lieutenant Lawrence J. Fishery Post of the American Legion in East Boston, Saturday night, tore down the American flag and trampled upon it, defaced the pictures of Washington and Lincoln and wrecked furniture. There was no clue to the culprits.

BURGLAR TRAP SHOOTS LAD

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Scranton, April 12.—Joseph Healey, aged 17, was perhaps fatally wounded early yesterday morning when caught in a burglar trap in the store of J. B. Dymond, at Waymart, Pa.

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