

FRENCH CRITICIZE BRIAND STATEMENT

Not Sufficiently Explicit, Press Asserts—Deputies Expected to Sustain Ministry

PREMIER TO EXPLAIN TODAY

By the Associated Press. Paris, Jan. 21.—Aristide Briand, the new president of the council of the French Republic, replied to interpellations in the Chamber of Deputies today. The new cabinet's declaration of policy, which was read before the Chamber and the Senate yesterday, seemed to have been a disappointment to many, and real interest centered around today's debate, which preceded the taking of a vote of confidence. There seemed little doubt that the ministry would be endorsed, as M. Briand was virtually assured of a good working majority. Deputy Pierre Forget made a strong impression in the Chamber yesterday when he insisted on the necessity of a declaration which was sufficiently explicit, and demanded that more information be given. This view is shared by most newspapers of this city. The Figaro, the critic of the new cabinet, said the declaration contained "only elementary truths" and that "a strange timidity paralyzed the premier's pen when he came to writing forth a plan, or even a method in default of a plan. The Echo de Paris found the declaration quite lacking in the necessary clearness on certain essential points. "To judge at its true value and with impartiality," the newspaper continued, "we must wait for the supplementary explanations which M. Briand will give this afternoon."

Referring to the relations of France and the United States, M. Briand declared that the imperialism which had formed on the part of the United States in the war will "guarantee our union in peace as in war." Referring to the attitude of the United States League of Nations, the declaration says: "We respect the scruples which made them hesitate to endorse a given league of nations, of which, however, they have not doubted the generous and beneficent principles."

DATE GETS ONLY 154 VOTES

Spanish Premier Keeps Position Despite Rebuke by Deputies. Madrid, Jan. 21.—(By A. P.)—Premier Pardo secured only 154 votes in the Chamber of Deputies last night when he called for a vote of confidence. The remainder of the members of the chamber left the house without voting. A statement made a little later the premier indicated his cabinet would not resign. This statement followed a conference between the premier and King Alfonso. Yesterday afternoon a session of the chamber was marked by a violent attack upon the ministry in connection with the treasury strike. Gonzalo Pascual, minister of finance, on whom much of the criticism has centered, is reported to have again tendered his resignation.

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BELGIAN KING'S MOTORCAR KILLS GIRL; INJURES BOY

Albert Personally Carries Body to Cottage of Parents. Brussels, Jan. 21.—The automobile of King Albert while returning to Brussels yesterday from Laurin knocked down two children in the village of Kesselo. A girl five years of age was killed outright and a boy of eight years was seriously hurt. King Albert, who was in the machine, was greatly perturbed by the event and personally carried the body of the little girl to the cottage of her parents and sought to console them in their loss. The king then fetched two doctors to attend the injured boy. It is said that the children dashed out into the road from behind a truck which masked the oncoming machine, and that they were under the wheels of the royal automobile before its driver saw them.

TURMOIL IN FIUME AGAIN

Fierce Fighting Reported — Italian Troops Enter City. Trieste, Jan. 21.—Heavy fighting has been going on at Fiume and Italian carabinieri have entered the city for the purpose of restoring order. Some of the military forces within Fiume have mutinied, and they, together with supporters of Prof. Zanella, leader of the Italian people of the city, and some of the remaining legionaries, have been engaged in the fighting, details of which are lacking. The mutinous soldiers and legionaries have taken over the barracks.

Hon. A. L. Sifton Dies

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 21.—(By A. P.)—Arthur Lewis Sifton, dominion secretary of state since December 3, 1910, died here today. He was sixty-two years of age. He was born near London, Ont., and was graduated from Wesley College, Winnipeg, Victoria University and Alberta University. He went West in 1875 and held several offices in the government of the old Northwest territory, serving as treasurer and commissioner of public works, chief justice of the Supreme Court and premier of Alberta. He was a brother of Sir Clifford Sifton.

Brand Whitlock Guest of Ghent

Ghent, Jan. 21.—(By A. P.)—Brand Whitlock, American ambassador to Belgium, was guest of honor at a banquet given by the authorities of this city and of East Flanders yesterday.

IRISH AMBUSHERS KILL 7 CONSTABLES

Inspector Clark, One of Victims, Served in War With Canadian Troops

BRITISH SEIZE 23 IN CORK

By the Associated Press. Dublin, Jan. 21.—Yesterday's ambush at Glenwood, in which District Inspector Clarke, a sergeant and four constables were killed and a sergeant and a constable were wounded, occurred in the afternoon as a party of ten members of the police force were patrolling a road skirted by a wood. From this a deadly fire on the police lorry. The police replied to the fire, but early in the affray Inspector Clarke and five constables were killed. The remainder of the force was scattered and two of the four had been wounded. The remaining two appeared to have escaped. The ambushing party took possession of the dead and wounded men's weapons and the ammunition they carried, burned the motorcar and disappeared. A strong force of the police and military later searched the whole countryside but made no arrests. Inspector Clark was a native of Lurgan, near Belfast. He lived in the Wingfield district before the war, joined the Canadian mounted rifles, and with three of his brothers, who also were domiciled in Canada, served throughout the war until 1918, when he transferred to the Irish Rifles on demobilization.

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Washington, Jan. 21.—(By A. P.)—The meat packing industry got into hearings of the unofficial commission investigating conditions in Ireland today when Miss Louie Bennett, secretary of the Irish Women's International League, read a statement from Sir Horace Plunkett's co-operative movement, declaring that England had destroyed the Irish Co-operative Meat, Limited, organized to "prevent the control by the American beef trust of the industry in Ireland."

LA SCONFITTA DEI COMUNISTI ITALIANI

Al Congresso Socialista di Livorno si Ripudia la Terza Internazionale di Mosca

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