

LEAGUE TO END GREEK-TURK WAR

Athens Representatives Are Told Public Demand Must Precede Intervention

GREEKS READY FOR PEACE

Special Cable Dispatch. Copyright, 1921. Geneva, Sept. 16.—The Greeks are seeking to have the question of intervention by the Allies in the Greco-Turkish struggle taken up by the League of Nations, it became known yesterday. Members of the League council have been approached by Greek representatives, but they have refused to take the matter up unless the Greeks make public demand for it.

There have been overtures already to members of the League to support a proposition for the League to end the Near East war. It is said that Greece is not averse to having the League intervene instead of the Supreme Council, because the Athens Government knows that the Allies would insist on carrying out the Sevres treaty.

It is understood in Geneva that the Greeks are ready to make peace with the Turks and are willing to evacuate that part of Anatolia which they took in their recent drive.

Geneva, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—The Assembly and Council of the League of Nations today approved the League of the Joint Conference Committee of the two bodies of Judge F. V. N. Belchmann, of Norway, as the fourth judge of the permanent International Court of Justice.

On the fourth ballot in the Assembly Judge Belchmann received thirty-six votes and Dr. Franz Klein, of Austria, Nicolas Politis, of Greece, and Auguste Soares, of Portugal, one vote each. The Council voted unanimously for Judge Belchmann.

The resolution recently proposed by Lord Robert Cecil, asking the Council of the League to give greater publicity to its proceedings was then adopted by the Assembly.

M. Ouky, Czechoslovak Minister to France, told the Assembly that his country was doing for the national minorities in Czechoslovakia.

Irish Truce Still On Despite Parley Break

Continued from Page One. attention was the one referring apparently to the separation of Ulster and Southern Ireland, and it was considered possible that new efforts would be made to approach the Ulster Government with a view to reaching a working agreement, and then approaching the British Government once more.

The Belfast correspondent of the Press Association says the Irish News of that city prints a message from a well-informed Dublin source to the effect that the Government contemplates an early assembly of the British Parliament. This step would be taken, it is said, with the view of declaring a general election so that a new Government might be formed which would be invested with the right to formulate domestic policies and appoint delegates to the conference on limitation of armaments to be held in Washington.

"In this event," the correspondent adds, "the masses of the Irish people may get an opportunity of giving a considered verdict on issues most vitally affecting their own country."

PRESS OF BRITAIN BACKS UP PREMIER

London, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—The British press expresses surprise and disappointment at the developments in the Irish situation, but supports the action of the Prime Minister.

The Daily Chronicle says Lloyd George had the right to insist on the making of his offer to the Sinn Fein to confer within the circle of the empire and that he will have it no less in his reply to calling off the proposed conference. The newspaper asserts that a majority of the Daily Eireann "threaten to bring the truce to an end and cast the country back into the throes of hateful conflict," but it says that the Irish people will "remain passive and acquiescent while the cup which they longed for and which is within their grasp is dashed from their lips by a gesture of infatuation."

The Daily Chronicle asks why the Sinn Fein leaders do not take a plebiscite for authority to accept the British offer if their election platform does not give them this authority.

The Daily Graphic says that Eamon de Valera's "unwise action" will be received by the whole British Isles with dismay, and believes that it will cause consternation in Ireland.

"Ireland is a land of surprises," continues the Graphic, "and we may yet hope that De Valera and his colleagues will have sense enough to see that their stiff-necked attitude toward the British Government is condemned by the whole world outside of Sinn Fein Ireland and is the road to utter ruin."

In an editorial the Manchester Guardian says this important thing to recognize is that a "breakdown and not a break-off" has occurred in the Irish negotiations. The newspaper expresses regret that the British Government adopted a "venerable formula" and did not put "the most favorable construction" on De Valera's words.

"The Sinn Fein position was stated without its necessity being asked," the newspaper asserts, "but that need not have been taken as a bar to the conference. It is impossible for the moment to admit a claim which would compel the treatment of Irishmen as aliens, but the conference would be for a much more practical purpose—to discover whether we can reconcile the fullest demands of practical liberty for Ireland with the status of a British dominion, closely examined and clearly defined."

"It would be lamentable if on a point of form and not of substance the opportunity for an agreement should be lost."

Dublin, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—Prime Minister Lloyd George is blamed by the Freeman's Journal for the cancellation of the proposed Inverness conference.

"Mr. Lloyd George," the newspaper declares, "made an extravagant misconstruction in cancelling the conference on the ground that to confer on the terms of De Valera's note would be to recognize Ireland as an independent state, free to negotiate its independence with the empire. It should be remembered that Ireland, many years ago, was a sovereign state within the empire, and retaining that sovereignty does not necessarily imply sovereignty and severance."

"The British and Irish peoples will refuse to accept this as the end of efforts toward peace. Letter writing has continued too long. The negotiators long ago should have met at the conference table and got busy framing the peace terms, instead of discussing theo-

A Hoover Aide



William I. Irvine, of Philadelphia, who has been appointed assistant chief of the Automobile Export Division of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, Department of Commerce.

retical objections to such a meeting. It is not too late for the adoption of such a course.

Belfast, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—Sir James Craig, the Ulster Premier, commenting on the lull in the Irish peace negotiations, declared today his belief that the question of the last did not affect the six northern counties, but were matters for adjustment between the Government and the representatives of Southern Ireland.

Of the newspapers, the Northern Whig, in its comment, took a similar view.

"Prime Minister Lloyd George," the newspaper says, "at last is alive to the futility of endeavoring to conciliate the Sinn Fein leaders, and the only course open to the Government, if it is sincere in its expressed desire to maintain the essential unity of the realm, is immediately to take adequate measures to break the treasonable tyranny which has three-fourths of Ireland in its grip. The conciliating and temporizing policy of the last two years, for which a heavy price has been paid, must end."

The Belfast News Letter says: "The Valera's reply was more than a refusal of the Government's conditions. It was an ultimatum, and Lloyd George treated it as such. The only way out of the deadlock is to surrender the claim of independence for Ireland. The Sinn Fein is now at the parting of the ways for good or evil to Ireland. The only hope for good lies in abandonment of the impossible."

Cork, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—In commenting on the latest exchange of views between Prime Minister Lloyd George and Sinn Fein leaders, the Cork Examiner emphatically refuses to believe the deadlock is the last phase of the negotiations, "which every sane person in both countries hoped would end in agreement."

"The masses of both countries," the newspaper adds, "want peace, and the only practical means of reaching a satisfactory understanding is by direct conference. There has been enough of notes and counter-notes. Let plenipotentiaries of England and Ireland meet with absolutely open minds and without any conditions whatsoever. This is probably what will eventually happen. Neither would be prejudiced in such a conference, and with good will a settlement should be reached."

LLOYD GEORGE'S REPLY TO IRISH. London, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—The text of Lloyd George's reply to Eamon de Valera, which was telegraphed last night, says:

"I informed your emissaries who came to me here Tuesday that reiteration of your claim to negotiate with His Majesty's Government as the representative of an independent and sovereign State would make a conference between us impossible."

"They brought me a letter from you, in which you specifically reaffirm that claim, stating that your nation has formally declared its independence and

recognizes itself as a sovereign State, and it is only, you added, as representatives of that State and as its chosen guardians that we have any authority or powers to act on behalf of our people.

"I asked them to warn you of the very serious effect of such a paragraph, delivered to me in order that you might have time to reconsider it. Despite this intimation, you have now published the letter in its original form, and I must accordingly cancel the arrangements for the conference next week at Inverness and consult my colleagues on the course of action in this new situation. I will communicate this to you as soon as possible, but as I am for the moment laid up here, a few days' delay is inevitable. Meanwhile, I must make it absolutely clear that His Majesty's Government cannot reconsider its position, which I have stated to you.

"If we accepted a conference with your delegates on the formal statement of the claim which you have reaffirmed, it would constitute an official recognition by His Majesty's Government of the severance of Ireland from the empire and of its existence as an independent republic.

"It would, moreover, entitle you to declare as of right acknowledged by us, that in preference to association with the British Empire, you would pursue closer association by a treaty with some other foreign Power. There is only one answer possible to such a claim as that.

"The great concessions which His Majesty's Government made to the feeling of your people in order to secure a lasting settlement deserved, in my opinion, some more generous response, but so far every advance has been made by us.

"On your part you have not come to meet us by a single step, but have merely reiterated in phrases of emphatic challenge the letter and the spirit of your original claim.

"I am, yours faithfully, 'LLOYD GEORGE.'"

DUBLIN LOOKS FOR NEW NEGOTIATIONS

Dublin, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—Although the popular newspapers today describe the letter of Lloyd George, concerning arrangements for the Inverness conference as a bombshell, which spread consternation, there seems no disposition on the part of the public in general to consider the Irish peace negotiations at an end, and the Prime Minister's reference to "inevitable delay" gives rise to hope.

The prevailing indications here are that the desire to avoid a breach, through a diligent search is in progress for a formula which will enable the proposed conference to be held without the sacrifice of principles on the part of either side, and that it is possible to phrase such a statement of principles in a way to avoid a breach.

The next move, however, it is claimed here, is with Lloyd George, and further communication with him after the British Cabinet meeting is awaited.

Leaders of the Dail Eireann expressed no concern over the prospect of a general election, taking the view that there was no probability of any party attempting to fight the Sinn Fein on common ground, and that if one did so the Sinn Fein would score another triumph, the result being that a renewal of the Sinn Fein republican mandate would be registered by the returns.

As to the truce, there is considered to be no immediate probability of its rupture.

There was little activity at the Mansion House up to noon today. De Valera had not arrived there at that hour.

LABORITE EXHORTS SYNOD

Britisher Urges Methodists to Apply Christianity to Industry. London, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—Arthur Henderson, Labor member of the British House of Commons, in discussing human needs in modern industry before the World's Methodist Conference today, declared the problem of just distribution of wealth remained unchanged. If this was to be accomplished, he said, the churches must see that Christian principles were applied in industry.

"The time has gone when men and women could be treated as cogs in the machinery of wealth production," Mr. Henderson asserted. "The churches must assert the fact that the worker is first a man with a human claim to a full life."

Mr. Henderson's speech was greeted with cheers, and other speakers reiterated his advice, urging the eight-hour day and profit-sharing.

The conference adopted a resolution urging Methodists everywhere to wage relentless warfare on liquor.

GERMANY HAS LOAN PLAN

Will Borrow Abroad on Credit of Industries and Agriculture. Berlin, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—Der Tag says the plan being entertained by the German industrial world for the purpose of enabling the Government to meet its future reparations obligations is to raise a private gold loan abroad on the credit of German industries and agriculture.

A Berlin dispatch of Thursday quoted the Vossische Zeitung as saying it had learned that at an important conference Tuesday of Chancellor Wirth with representatives of banking and industrial organizations the latter expressed readiness to supply the Government with gold and foreign bills to meet future reparations payments.

SUGAR CUTS TAXICAB COST

Cubans Displace Gasoline With Alcohol From Cane Product. Washington, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—Cuban taxi drivers have petitioned the municipality of Havana to lower the standard rate, as they find they can cut existing charges one-third and still make a profit by substituting alcohol for gasoline as motive power for automobiles, according to a report to the Commerce Department today from Philander L. Cable, American Charge D'Affaires at Havana.

"A strong movement is taking place in Cuba," he said, "to replace gasoline as the motive power for self-propelled vehicles by alcohol. The alcohol is produced from the waste of sugar and is a Cuban product. The average cost of gasoline today is fifty cents a gallon, while that of alcohol varies between thirty and thirty-five cents."

PRINCE GEORGE FIRED ON

Greek King's Son Narrowly Escapes Capture by Turks. Brusa, Asia Minor, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—Crown Prince George, of Greece, narrowly escaped capture by mounted Turkish irregulars while en route to this city from the battle front. The motorcar in which the Crown Prince, General Stratigos and other officers were coming toward Eski-Shehr was attacked by a band of Turks, who opened fire from a hillside. The bullets came close to the Prince, but the driver speeded up the car, and the party escaped.

This was the second close call the Prince had during the past fortnight. While he was at general headquarters, at Uzumbek, a bold attempt to capture him was made by Turkish irregulars, who apparently planned to make the whole general staff prisoners.



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