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one, but at the worst it only prolonged the war, and could not affect it. It might have a salutary effect, he continued, in calling the attention of the allies to obvious defects of organization. To prevent the Rumanian situation from becoming worse they had taken strong action. In Greece they were taking no risks. They had decided to recognize the agents of former Premier Venizelos.

Convinced of Victory
Speaking of the western front, Mr. Lloyd George referred to the growth of the British armies there and continued: "I am convinced ultimate victory is sure if the nation shows the same spirit of endurance and readiness to learn as the mud-stained armies at the front."

Turning to the more purely political of the domestic problems of the new ministry, Mr. Lloyd George said: "We are anxious to avoid all controversial questions. The functions of the premier and the cabinet are separated because it was believed the double tasks were too much for one man. The organization of the new cabinet is best adapted for the needs of the war. In war you want prompt decision, and the allies have suffered disaster after disaster from tardiness of decision."

Director of National Service
The speech of Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg before the German Reichstag was characterized by Lloyd George as constituting in substance a denial of the only terms upon which peace was possible.

Premier Lloyd George said that the time had come when the dominions should be consulted more formally as to the war. An imperial conference would be summoned at an early date to discuss vital questions.

The premier said it was proposed to appoint a director of national service to direct the industries and services which were essential or nonessential to the war.

Scores Subterfuges
The premier analyzed the German Chancellor's speech and then declared emphatically: "Without reparation peace is impossible. Moreover, what guarantee is there that the terms will not be used in future to overthrow any treaties of peace whereto we might now enter."

"We must keep a steadfast eye on the purpose for which we entered the war. We entered it to defend Europe from aggression of the Prussian military caste. We must insist that there be the most complete guarantees against any fresh disturbing again the peace of Europe."

Prussia has been a bad neighbor. No that the war has really been undertaken it would be folly not to take this swash-buckling through the streets of Europe and this disturbance of peaceful citizens was dealt with here and now as the most serious offense against the nations.

Irish Question Misunderstood
The premier said he was convinced the Irish question was a misunderstanding and that he hoped this understanding would be removed. Settlement of the Irish question, the premier added, would be a great war measure.

Referring to the mobilization of labor, the premier said no man would be taken into the army if he were capable of rendering more useful services outside of it.

Arthur Neville Chamberlain, he announced, had been appointed director general of national services.

Eyes of World Turned
The first appearance of David Lloyd George before the House of Commons as premier was made to-day in circumstances seldom if ever faced by a new holder of the office. Even if the peace proposals of the central powers had not been received, the London papers which support the Lloyd George government most strongly expressed the view that the government had decided a conference on Germany's terms would not be considered. Even the moderate provincial papers warned the pacifists they had best make up their minds that a prompt refusal would be forthcoming. But the hope was expressed in many quarters, notwithstanding the fact that the German note contained no terms that Premier Lloyd George would be a little more communicative and give the central powers some hint as to what they would have to give as the price of peace.

Besides the peace proposals, the premier had to deal with many questions facing the new government, including the drastic war emergency measures, the Irish and food problems and the submarine menace.

Such was the interest in the speech that every member of the House of Commons with the exception of the considerable number on the sick list owing to the prevalence of influenza and those in active service in distant countries, made efforts to secure a seat or standing room, while for the

public and private galleries the tickets were long ago exhausted.

Every Seat Filled

When the House assembled every seat on the floor and in the galleries was filled. The diplomatic representatives of Great Britain's allies occupied seats in the gallery for distinguished strangers. On the benches reserved for Lords were many members of the upper house who took a prominent part in bringing about the recent change of government.

When the premier entered the house just before 4 o'clock he was cheered enthusiastically from all quarters. Former Premier Asquith, who entered a moment later, also was cheered vociferously by the Liberals. Sir William Robertson, chief of the imperial staff at army headquarters dressed in khaki was in the gallery.

Stock Market Pivots Around British Attitude Toward Peace Overture

New York, Dec. 19. — The attitude of the British government towards Germany's peace proposals was the pivot around which to-day's stock market revolved. Probably not within the memory of Wall Street's oldest financiers has the attention of the world been so directed towards London as it was to-day.

Stocks were irregular at the opening but became firm to strong at mid-day and decidedly stronger in the early afternoon when fragmentary extracts of the British premier's speech began to circulate through the financial district.

War shares and related issues made further considerable recoveries from last week's low levels to-day's gains immediately prior and after the news from London ranging from 3 to 5 points in that division.

Wheat Soars, Then Drops Back on News That Door Is Open For Peace Terms

Chicago, Dec. 19. — Excited advances of more than 7 cents a bushel to-day in wheat resulted from reports that the speech of the British premier in parliament to-day supported the answer given to Germany by Russia and France. On the Berlin stock market a rebound of a few cents of the point touched before the peace proposal was made by Germany a week ago.

Wheat futures, the chief trading option, ascended to \$1.71 1/2, as against \$1.64 1/2 to \$1.64 3/4 at yesterday's close, a jump of 7 to 7 1/2 c. At this stage selling increased and the market began to retreat.

Definite bulletins confirming the reports that the speech of Lloyd George was not favorable to peace negotiations at present did not lead to any important fresh advance. Traders appeared to take the view that the British reply had been sufficiently paralleled by the action of the market in recovering about 16c a bushel from the lowest level which was touched on Friday.

Brokerage reports later that in discussing Germany's peace offer Lloyd George had left the door open for Britain to make a rebid statement of terms sent the wheat market down grade rapidly in the last half hour of trading. May wheat fell to \$1.65 1/2, a drop of 9 1/4 c from the topmost point of the sessions.

Rome Will Not Reject Any Genuine Peace Proposals Sonnino Tells Deputies

Rome, Dec. 18, via Paris, Dec. 19. — Foreign Minister Sonnino said in the Chamber of Deputies to-day that several resolutions which had been introduced in the chamber in regard to the peace proposals of the central powers seemed to be based on the supposition that the government had or would have concrete and precise indications as to the bases on which negotiations would be opened.

"As I said on the day before yesterday, this supposition does not correspond with the facts," the foreign minister continued. "There is no sign of conditions or basis for negotiations in the enemy's note. I possess no information in regard to eventual conditions of peace beyond the note from the enemy which I read in the chamber."

"Should propositions be made subsequently we should consider what to do, but it would be neither practical nor proper to discuss that question to-day. Moreover, it should be understood clearly that no one of the entente allies could take into consideration any condition whatever which by synthesis might be eventually referred to him under separate form. In the public inland and out of respect to the allied governments, I cannot communicate to you anything whatever as to the substance of the answer we shall give to the note of the four enemy powers. Their answer will be published as it is drawn up."

"We all wish peace and lasting peace. But we consider a lasting peace to be careful settlement whose duration depends not on the solidarity of the fetters with which one people is held subject to another, but on an exact balance among the State, based on respect for the principal nationalities, rules laid down in the laws of nations, and reasons of humanity and civilization."

"If we were in the presence of



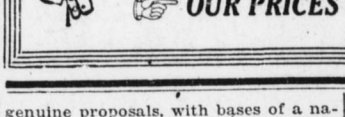
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genuine proposals, with bases of a nature to satisfy the general postulates of civilization and justice which I have just mentioned, none would reject them abruptly. But there is nothing to show even faintly that this is the case, and there are many reasons for believing the contrary.

"I do not desire to use exaggerated language but the acceptance of boastfulness and the lack of sincerity which characterized the preamble to the enemy's note certainly inspire no belief that these mysterious peace conditions which the central empires announce they have the intention of exposing later on, with the object of guaranteeing the existence, honor and free development of their peoples, do constitute an answer to the postulates we have laid down."

Vote of Confidence
Baron Sonnino appealed to the deputies of all parties, in the words of Premier Briand of France, not to permit the move of the central-powers to "poison the mind of the people," and urge them to refrain from "playing the enemy's game by giving way to rash or untimely manifestations which might imply the expense of division and the loss of honor."

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Von Bernstorff Believes England Will Not Refuse to Talk About Peace

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19.—Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, said after hearing the first portions of Lloyd George's speech: "That sounds as if they would not refuse to talk about peace, anyway."

Every effort it was said would be made to bring about a conference for the discussion of terms.

The view was expressed in Teutonic diplomatic quarters that should Great Britain and her allies in reply to the proposals of the central powers ask that terms be defined, Germany and her allies would announce that they would be presented in a peace conference. It was added that unless there were unforeseen developments it was doubtful that the central powers would agree to st down their terms in a note.

So much of Lloyd George's speech as had been received here when the cabinet met was taken into the meeting and discussed by the President and his advisers. No official comment was made, but it seemed that the general tenor of Lloyd George's remarks led officials here to believe that a discussion of peace was not entirely out of the question.

French Editor on Mission to This Country Names Peace Terms of Allies

New York, Dec. 19.—Peace terms of the Allies were made known here by Stephane Lauzanne, editor of Le Matin, who is in this country on a mission for the French government.

These terms, which were immediately compared with Germany's terms as published last week, were set forth in an interview as follows: **Transylvania to Rumania.** **Trentino to Italy.** **Alsace-Lorraine to France.** **Constantinople to Russia, with Turkey out of Europe.** **Restoration and indemnification of Belgium and Serbia.**

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Capt. De Beauchamp, Who Bombed Munich After Long Flight Over Alps, Killed

Paris, Dec. 19.—Captain De Beauchamp, who in November made a flight to Munich and dropped bombs on the town, has been killed. He met his end in an air fight near Douaumont, his machine falling within the French lines. In his flight to Munich, Captain De Beauchamp crossed the Alps and covered a distance of 437 miles.

Captain De Beauchamp on one occasion dropped bombs on the headquarters of the German emperor, according to the Petit Journal. This last exploit was performed in April, 1915, when the emperor was stationed at Mezières-Charleville. The paper says that the bombs fell right on the house in which the emperor's staff had its offices and that as a result the emperor withdrew six miles from the city.

W. F. REED DIES
Philadelphia, Dec. 19. — William F. Reed, a pioneer in the cloth manufacturing business in this country, died at his home in Lansdowne, Pa. He was 83 years old. Mr. Reed was a millionaire, patron of arts and for many years president of the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. He is survived by four daughters and four sons, one of whom is professor of history at the University of Chicago.

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