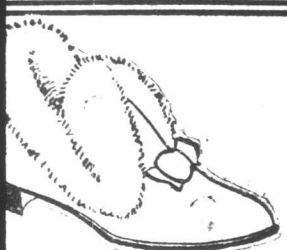


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WILL CONSIDER PEACE CONFERENCE

Imperial War Cabinet Sits
This Week to Agree
on Preliminaries

London, Dec. 18.—Preliminary consideration of the British program for the coming peace conference has been somewhat interfered with by the recent general election campaign but beginning to-morrow there will be, for the remainder of the week, an almost continuous sitting of the Imperial War Cabinet to consider suggestions of the various committees, which have been at work.

Premier Borden has arrived and all the overseas Dominions are now represented here by Prime Ministers, except New Zealand.

The Inter-Allied Conference will open at Paris about the first of the new year. One of the most important committees dealing with peace matters is that appointed to consider the proposed league of nations. Lord Robert Cecil, the chairman, has been in conference on this matter with the Canadian ministers and Hon. C. J. Doherty is representing Canada directly on this committee.

The Canadian ministers have been engaged in important discussions respecting the polling and distribution of the world's food supply dur-

ing next year or eighteen months. Consideration of this important subject by Allied Governments and the government of the United States has been in progress for some time.

Reports of progress were considered at this meeting of the Canadian mission and among other subjects discussed were the return of Canadian shipping and representation of Canada on all important British and Allied committees.

The Canadian ministers have had a series of conferences with the overseas ministry of militia and the staff, considering questions connected with the problem of demobilization and the return of Canadian troops and important decisions on these subjects will shortly be made.

Sir Robert Borden and several of his colleagues expect to spend Christmas at the front with the Canadian Corps. The Canadian Corps headquarters are at present at Bonn, Germany.

AERIAL MAIL SERVICE.

By Courier Leased Wire.

New York, Dec. 18.—The first flight in what is expected to be a regular daily mail service between New York and Chicago began to-day at 7:20 a.m. when Leon D. Smith took the air at Belmont park, Long Island. His biplane carries 400 pounds of mail. At Bellfonte, Penna. he will descend and put his mail in the care of another air pilot, who will transport it to Cleveland, Ohio, where a third aviator will carry it on to Chicago. Three machines will be used during the entire flight and the last one is expected to reach Chicago between 4:30 and 5 p.m.

IRELAND TO THE VARDAR.

Victories By the Enemies of England
Help the Sinn Feiners.

It seems a far cry from Dublin to the Vardar valley, but there is no doubt that a large section of the Irish people is following the exploits of the Serbian army with close attention, as they may exercise a crucial influence on Irish political fortunes. This section of the Irish people is the disloyal one, which regards victories by the enemies of England as service rendered to the cause of Sinn Fein. But the chief anxiety that the Serbs inspire is that they may bring about a premature end of the war—premature, that is, from the Sinn Fein point of view.

The party of sedition in Ireland pins its faith on the next general election. It hopes—and there is unfortunately much to justify its expectation—that the struggle at the polls will result in the practical wiping out of the Nationalist party and the capture of at least 60 seats by the Sinn Fein. These 60 members of the Imperial Parliament would not, however, take their seats in Westminster—to do so would be a negation of the principles of Sinn Fein—but would establish a sort of national council, the tin of which would be to capture all the machinery of government that is not under the direct authority of the crown—municipalities, school boards, local police administrations, in short, every phase of local government which depends on the votes of the people.

But the success of this policy is dependent on the continuation of the war. Only as long as Great Britain is fighting for her life is there any chance of the Sinn Feiners being able to grab her in the back. The potential aid of Germany, remote as it is, is one of their trump cards. Their second trump card is the hostility they have succeeded in arousing to the proposed intrusion of conscription in Ireland. If the war should come to an end or if the Allies should score such decisive victories as to make the early defeat of Germany and her allies a certainty, the necessity of conscription in Ireland and elsewhere would disappear. It is to this possibility that Field Marshal Mitchell is contributing by his brilliant campaign in Serbia. Every success he scores brings the end of the world conflict nearer, a consummation which would spell ruin to the hopes of the Sinn Fein movement. It can only carry on by fishing in troubled waters and by taking advantage of the embarrassments of the British Government. The day the Cabinet in London has its hand free of war worries that day the Sinn Fein movement is doomed. The return home of the heroic Irish regiments will cause all the leaders to run for their lives.

The Jacobite Queen of Britain.

The rightful sovereign of Great Britain, according to the Jacobites, is the Queen Consort of Bavaria, whose name is "Mary." Her son, Rupert, Crown Prince of Bavaria, is styled by the Jacobites "the Prince of Wales," but to do justice to him and his mother, they have given no countenance to those who use their name as a rallying cry for a lost cause. The present Royal Family of Great Britain—whose title to the throne is Parliamentary, not hereditary—is descended from James the First's daughter, Elizabeth, who married Frederick V., Elector Palatine of the Rhine (who was King of Bohemia until four days after his coronation at Prague on May 1619). Their daughter Sophia married the Elector of Hanover, and also King of Great Britain. Though Elizabeth was older than her brother, Charles I., her descendants were not entitled to the throne by hereditary succession until all the descendants of her brother's children (Charles II., James II., and Henrietta, Duchess of Orleans) had died out. This has not yet occurred as regards the descendants of Duchess Henrietta. On the extinction of Charles II.'s descendants in the male line by the death in 1701 of his great-grandson, Henry Stuart, Cardinal York, younger son of the "Elder Pretender," and grandson of James II., the succession passed to the female line, represented by the descendants of Henrietta, the nearest heir being her great-great-grandson, Victor Emmanuel I., Duke of Savoy, who was King of Sardinia from 1802 to 1805, and again from 1814 to 1821 (the kingdom in the interval having been merged in that of Italy, of which Napoleon I. was king until his banishment to Elba in 1814). The present Queen of Bavaria is great-granddaughter of Victor Emmanuel. Her son, Rupert, Crown Prince of Bavaria, the Jacobite "Prince of Wales," is a ninth cousin of King George (each of them being tenth in descent from their common ancestor, James VI. of Scotland and I. of England).

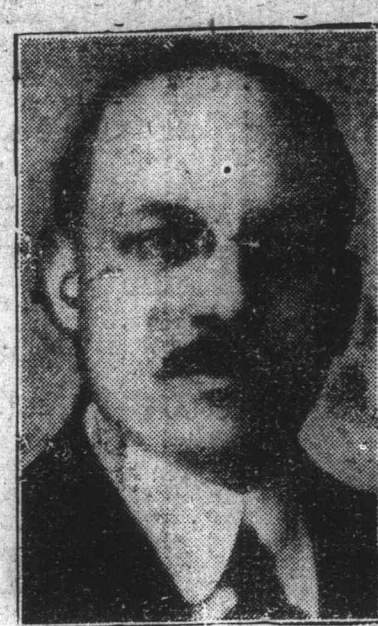
David Lloyd George.

David Lloyd George was born at Manchester, England, Jan. 17, 1863, of Welsh parents. He was admitted to the Bar in 1884, and was successful from the start. In politics he was a Radical. In 1890 he was elected to Parliament, was re-elected several times and took high rank as a Liberal leader and constructive statesman. In 1905 he was appointed President of the Board of Trade, a Cabinet position, in which he won new distinction. In 1906, when Mr. Asquith became Premier, he promoted Mr. Lloyd George to the Chancellorship of the Exchequer, a position previously held by Mr. Asquith himself. In 1915 he was made Minister of Munitions, and on the death of Lord Kitchener he became Secretary of State for War.

Wheat Straw Gas.

The Research Committee at Ottawa has appropriated \$15,000 for experimentation with Prof. MacLaurin's wheat straw gas, which promises to provide farmers throughout Canada with an inexpensive gas for heating, lighting and power. Using a \$500 plant, sufficient gas can be generated in one-and-a-half hours to provide all normal farm requirements for three weeks.

Children Cry
FOR FLETCHER'S
CASTORIA



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Club of Toronto.

ASK ALLIES TO OCCUPY BERLIN

By Courier Leased Wire

Paris, Dec. 18.—Unofficial reports still persist, says The Matin, that the Ebert-Haase Government has entreated the Allies to occupy Berlin.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S RECORD

By Courier Leased Wire.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 18.—Out of 6,372 men accepted for service in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment there was a total of 3,757 casualties, including 1,180 killed, up to the signing of the armistice, according to figures compiled by the Militia Department and made public to-day. Two hundred and ten men were awarded military decorations for bravery. The regiment, the first unit of which left here in October, 1914, saw fighting in the Gallipoli Campaign and in Egypt and was transferred to France in March, 1916. Since then the Newfoundlanders have participated in some of the bitterest campaigns of the war, winning honors at the Somme, Ypres in the Arras sector and in the last months of the struggle in Flanders.

CANDIDATE FOR SPEAKER

By Courier Leased Wire

Washington, Dec. 18.—Representative James R. Mann of Illinois, Republican leader of the House, to-day formally announced his candidacy for speaker of the House in the next Congress, which will be controlled by the Republicans. His announcement followed the consent of 22 Republican members to support his candidacy.

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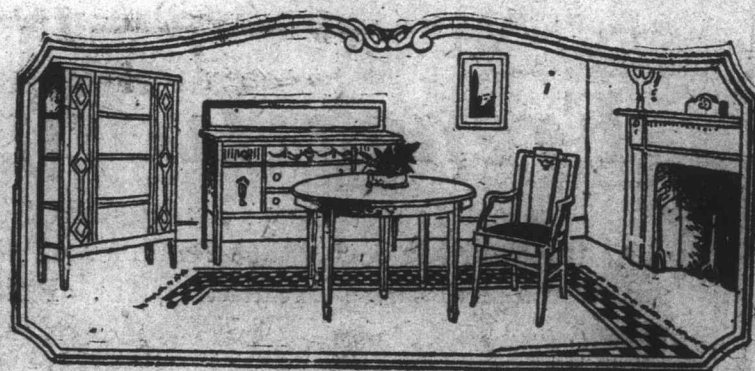
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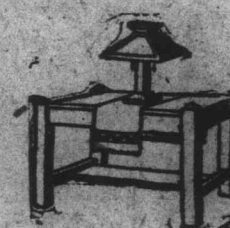


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